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CITY OF KEENE.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

A JOINT RESOLUTION to publish the Annual City Report.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows: That the Joint Standing Committee on Printing cause to be printed in pamphlet form, for general distribution, twelve hundred copies of the Report of the City Government, for the year ending December 1, 1883, including all the usual Committees and Officers of the various departments; also, the proceedings of the Inauguration of the City Government, the names of the respective officers, and such ordinances and resolutions, and other matters as are deemed of public importance by them; that the same be published at the lowest reasonable rate, and delivered in the City Clerk's Office as soon as practicable; provided, however, that if the whole number shall not be thus delivered, a corresponding deduction shall be made from the contract price.

CHARLES H. HERSEY,
President Common Council.

Passed December 6, 1883.

HORATIO KIMBALL, *Mayor.*

A true copy. Attest:

L. C. DOOLITTLE, *City Clerk.*

ORGANIZATION OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1883.

The members elect of the City Government having met for organization, agreeably to the provisions of the City Charter, the oath of office prescribed by law was administered to the Mayor elect, HORATIO KIMBALL, by City Clerk Doolittle, after which His Honor the Mayor administered the oath of office to the following Boards, viz:

Board of Aldermen:

SILAS HARDY,
GEORGE L. BURDETT,
GEORGE E. HOLBROOK,
FREDERICK H. KINGSBURY,
REUBEN HYLAND.

Board of Common Council:

JAMES MARSH,
CLARK F. ROWELL,
DANIEL C. HOWARD,
WALTER W. GLAZIER,
ASA M. HOLT,
FRANKLIN H. FAY,
AUSTIN E. HOWARD,
VIRGIL A. WRIGHT,
HENRY N. STONE,
C. J. WOODWARD,
CHARLES H. HERSEY,
CHARLES WRIGHT,
LEONARD WRIGHT,
MARCUS ELLIS,
FRED A. BARKER.

Prayer was offered by Rev. F. W. Tomkins, after which the Mayor delivered his Inaugural Address, as follows:

MAYOR KIMBALL'S ADDRESS.

Gentlemen of the City Councils:—Our meeting today marks the tenth anniversary of the inauguration of the city government of the city of Keene; and we have been chosen by a vote of the people of the city to make and execute the laws, rules and regulations of the municipality, as well as the laws of the State in relation thereto, for the year before us. It is right and proper in assuming these duties that we should take note of the material prosperity we see attending every industry within our borders,—the moral and educational progress of the people,—the unusually sound financial condition of our corporate institutions, business firms and citizens generally,—and the advance of our city in all those public improvements that tend towards the health, comfort and convenience of the citizens as well as the advancement of civilization generally. For all these let us be duly thankful, and at the same time guard ourselves against performing any act tending towards the curtailment of these blessings, or leaving unexpended any effort for their advancement during the brief time we are entrusted with the affairs of the city.

The statutes under which we act provide that "the Mayor shall from time to time communicate to the City Councils such information and recommend such measures as the interests of the city shall in his judgment require." In conformity to this law it has been the custom of the Mayor at the inauguration of each new government to make a full statement of the affairs of the several departments of the city government, so far as he was able by enquiry and reference to official reports to gather facts for the purpose. It gives me pleasure to say that I have had all the privileges of my distinguished predecessor in collecting statistics to lay before you. The fidelity with which the City Clerk has kept the records and documents of his office, and the intelligent reports made and published by the several business committees, commissioners and boards, make it an easy matter to analyze the whole and lay them before you, were such a work necessary. But this very fact of their being so full and plain makes it unnecessary for me to do little more than refer you to these reports, as published, to learn all you may desire in regard to the matters with which you will now have to do yourselves.

FINANCES.

The published report of the receipts and expenditures of the past year, as made up from the books of the City Clerk and City Treasurer, is before you, and gives us the condition of the financial affairs of the city at the end of the financial year, Dec. 1. It appears that the receipts for the year amounted to $137,747.56, which includes $35,000 temporarily borrowed for sewer works; while the expenditures were $125,691.10,—this also including $34,500.38 paid on sewer construction and $10,500 for water bonds that became due in the course of the year. The city's assets at that time were as follows:

State bonds	$2,200.00
Due from Collector, 1876, $1,181.54, less salary, $700.00 . . .	481.54
Due from Collector, 1882 . . .	13,254.59
Balance in treasury	49,075.79
Due from water rates . . .	355.33
	$65,367.25

With an indebtedness of $140,700 for water works bonds.

But since this report was made up, some heavy transactions have been made which change materially the financial condition of the city. The judgment against the city in the Manchester & Keene Railroad suit made it necessary to issue bonds for that amount; and for the past and prospective cost of the new sewers, bonds were also issued; both classes of bonds are dated Jan. 1, 1883, bearing four per cent. interest. The railroad bonds ($160,000) sold at a premium of 1.51; they are payable, $15,000 in 1894 and the same amount each year thereafter. The sewerage bonds ($70,000) sold at a premium of 2.31—payable $15,000 in 1905, and the same amount each succeeding year till all are paid up. So that taking our funded indebtedness as it is supposed to stand to-day and it will be as follows:

Water bonds	$140,700
Railroad bonds	160,000
Sewerage bonds	70,000
Total	$370,700

This increase of $229,500 in the funded debt will necessarily make our taxes considerably higher for some years to come than they have been in the immediate past. For this reason it stands us in hand to be more than ever vigilant in the way of economy at every point, and re-

trench in our ordinary expenditures wherever such a course is practicable.

I will not specify the many ways in which you will be able to lessen expenses from what they have been during the year just closed. They will suggest themselves to you before making up your final estimate for the annual appropriation bill. But there is one matter that ought to receive your attention immediately, and that is the management of the large surplus of money that we shall find in the treasury at the opening of the year. From an examination of the treasurer's accounts, (Dec. 30,) and estimating the amount of proceeds from bonds the City Finance Committee purpose to add thereto Jan. 1, less the amount likely to be paid out, I should say the balance in the treasury would be fully $80,000.

The City Treasurer furnishes the following memoranda as approximating the facts, to wit:

Deposits in treasury		$50,000.00
From Sewerage bonds . .	$70,000.00	
Less note	35,000.00	
		35,000.00
R. R. Bonds		160,000.00
Premiums, R. R. Bonds .	2,416.00	
Premiums, Sewer Bonds .	1,716.00	
		4,132.00
		$249,132.00
Judgment, R. R. suit .	$158,695.31	
Costs	1,892.82	
Interest	2,408.82	
		162,996.05
		$86,135.05
Orders payable Jan. 1		6,000.00
Balance		$80,135.00

I can see no immediate use for but a small part of this surplus. The first payment of water bonds will be (July 1,) $4,000 and the next ($17,500,) are due Jan. 1, 1884; and a large balance on sewer account will not be payable till the job is completed; so it would seem that for six months at least a large surplus will be at the disposal of the city. And as these balances have in the past been a source of jealousy while in the hands of the treasurer, (and only two and a half per cent. realized by the city,) would it not be well for you, if this surplus is found as estimated, to invest in a savings bank, say $50,000 for six months or more? or perhaps purchase back at the market price that amount of the bonds recently sold, which can be re-sold as the money is required for use? These questions are for your consideration.

On the whole, we have no occasion for anxiety in regard to our financial affairs. This new debt has been anticipated for several years, and does not take our people by surprise. While business continues as flourishing as now the increased taxation will be a source of discomfort to only a small portion of the population; and as we cannot see in the future any occasion for an addition to the debt, we have only to look forward to its annihilation, when taxes ought again to resume the low rates that prevailed previous to our adoption of the many "modern improvements" that are now making taxation rather excessive.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

The report of Superintendent Livermore represents, among other things, that he has during the past year put in thorough repair the bridges of the city, as well as mending and improving the roads generally. The additional granite walks constructed in Central Square is a marked feature of his labors that the people crossing in

that locality ought to appreciate. We can all bear testimony that many of our streets have been permanently made better during the year. The sewerage construction has made temporary bad work with some of them, and the public will probably have to bear similar inconveniences for some time to come. I should judge, by looking over the financial report, that the money appropriated for this use had been prudently applied by the Superintendent. The amount of money used is reported at $7,105.32.

The city pasture, under the same superintendence, besides furnishing all the river gravel used on the streets, gives a net income of $137.

THE WATER WORKS

Make a favorable financial showing in favor of the city, which speaks well for their management, and is a testimony to the wisdom of the people in establishing them. With a construction account of $162,898.68, the earnings collected last year amounted to $9,389.92. This, with the privileges the city enjoys in the way of fire hydrants, &c., make it already a good paying institution. Our attention, as City Councils, is called to the necessity of looking out for an increase of the water supply, as the coming facilities for sewerage will largely increase the amount of water used, and in proportion increase the income of the works. Many methods have been suggested for auxiliary supplies, and it may be that the present Councils will feel the necessity of adopting some measure to find out the most feasible one to be adopted. And so long as the old cement pipe is proving itself to be so serviceable, and not liable to require any change, (as proved by the decrease of breaks last year,) the cost of an addi-

tional reservoir will not be so materially felt by the city, as though the expense of a change to iron pipe was in immediate prospect.

THE CITY MARSHAL'S REPORT

Shows that the labors of the police have been more arduous than usual the past year, or else they have been more vigilant than formerly in arresting offenders against the ordinances and good order of the city. The total arrests for the year count up to 224, against 105 for the previous year and 159 for the year 1880. Of these arrests, 214 were for drunkenness, against 96 for the same cause in 1881, and 132 for the year 1880. It is probable that the increase in this class of offences may be attributed quite fully to the large number of transient persons employed upon the sewer works. I do not believe there is such an increase of intemperance on the part of our citizens as these statistics would indicate. If there is, it only shows that there is still, more than ever, work for the reformers in the temperance cause, as well as those engaged in the other reforms of the day. You, as City Councils, cannot regulate the appetites of the people, either by force or persuasion, but you have certain duties to perform when it comes to the matter of the good order of the city. There is among our ordinances one established at the commencement of the city government, which was intended to regulate to a certain degree the sale of intoxicating liquors; and I presume was thought to be going as far in that direction as it was prudent to go. That ordinance, while it remains in our book, it is our duty to see respected; and as its enforcement comes under the duty of the City Marshal, it lies with you to appoint a gentleman to fill this position who will be efficient in the discharge of his duty. So far as I know this has always been done by

our Marshals in the past, and I hope to hear of no laxity in that direction for the year to come, as good order and sobriety stand foremost in giving a good character to any community. The expenses of the police department last year are reported at $1,670.73, while the year before it was only $1,163.69.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer Wheelock tells us in his report that he has "endeavored to keep the department in good working order at all times," and I think the citizens of Keene who have noted the efficiency of the service the past year will concede his claim. Though it has had no large fires to contend with during the year, aad the small ones have been only five in number, I have heard no expressions but favorable ones as to the efficiency and good conduct of the firemen. The engineers and several of the companies have recently procured handsome uniforms at their own expense, and they claim to be equal in appearance as well as drill with any fire department in New England. The Chief Engineer asks the city to make some improvements in the quarters of two of the companies, and also for an arrangement connecting the fire alarm with the general telephone office. I presume these requests are not unreasonable, and would recommend that you give the matter early attention. The expenses of the department for the year amount to $1,873.29, against $1,806.82 for the year 1881.

SEWERAGE.

It having been understood for several years past,—or since the introduction of the water works,—that a system of sewerage, more or less elaborate, was necessary for

the convenience and health of the people, each government since we became a city has had the question come before it as to what it had better do. It was conceded by all that something should be done; but when the questions came up as to what system should be adopted and how large an area it was well to include at the start, there arose a division of opinion, and the result was that nothing was done further than effecting some slight extensions of the ordinary street drains. As we all know, the government just expiring took the matter up last summer, and adopted the Waring system. A plan was made by Col. Waring, and the works are now being constructed by a company that dates its contract in the city of New York. This plan covers nearly the whole compact part of the city, and it is claimed that the capacity of the pipes is sufficient for the work it has to do, which is merely to carry off sewage matter, and not intended to receive the surface water made by rain and snow. It would be inferred from the reports of the city's committee and superintendent, made Dec. 1, that the work might now be about one-half completed, and that the pipe had been delivered in Keene, accepted and paid for (less 25 per cent.) sufficient to about complete the job,—which is promised to be done by the first day of July next, for the sum of $82,000.

Now it will devolve upon you to take this work as you find it, and so far as not bound by former contracts, manage it as in your judgment the best interests of the city demand. It is for you to say whether the work of laying the pipes and back-filling the trenches can be done at this season of the year as the specifications in the contract demand. Upon these points the specifications are very particular in providing, first, "that before each pipe is put in place the bottom must be excavated below the depth required, to receive the socket, so that the length

of the pipe will lie firmly on the graded bottom of the trench. After the joint has been cemented this excavation must be filled with sand or fine earth to support the mortar firmly in its place. If water accumulates in the excavation it must be removed with a syringe or sponge before the mortar joint is made. * * * Where the bottom of the trench is so soft as to endanger the settling of the pipes, they will be supported with saddle-piles of inch boards driven firmly into the ground with the header and maul, using two piles to each length of pipe. Also, where the ground is naturally hard, but on account of saturation with water becomes soft and mushy by working, the use of short saddle-piles, driven to a grade *above* the bottom of the ditch may facilitate and improve the work." And, second, in regard to back-filling, the specifications require that "after a small portion of the pipe has been covered to the required depth of two feet, a man will stand on the filling and will continue this depth along the whole line, by carefully placing over the pipes ahead of him such *fine*, *dry* earth as shall be shoveled to him by men above." I make these quotations to show that aside from getting the grades, sewer-making requires very nice work, and as it is so far out of sight it is essential that it be done thoroughly the first time. Can it be so done in winter weather? I do not know for a certainty, but it looks doubtful, and you may think it proper to employ some disinterested experts in the use of cement and laying of pipes to investigate this matter and report to us. And if their opinions confirm our fears it will be your duty to cause the work to be suspended until the proper time. It will also devolve upon you to perform the delicate service of establishing rules regulating the rates and special taxes to be paid by those who are benefitted by sewerage. And as the work of superintendence and inspection is now done by high-salaried men from

abroad, you may find it necessary, when their labors cease, to establish a local board of commissioners, or a superintendent, or both as in our water works, for the purpose of managing the sewers. These matters will be likely to come before you during the year, and I trust you will give them all the attention they deserve. The committee recommend a plan, which in the form of an ordinance is appended to their printed report, and it may be about what is required.

If these sewers when completed work as well as their projector promises, they will be a source of convenience and comfort to our householders that will make the expense seem as light, perhaps, as that of any other of the many luxuries we enjoy.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY.

From the report of the City Solicitor and the records of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen we learn that there are a number of unsettled suits and claims against the city. I trust they can all be justly settled in the course of the year, and that all others that may arise during our terms may be adjusted without recourse to law.

The plain statement of the Solicitor in relation to the M. & K. railroad suit shows us how this vexed matter finally finds rest. Although the city has lost its case, I am sure it is through no fault of the able gentlemen who have had the management on its side; and although the controversy has been expensive, there is no doubt the expense has been more than made up by the increased value of the bonds issued on a debt that was once doubtfully legal, but finally based on a judgment of the Supreme Court.

CIVIL SERVICE.

While the country at large seems to be advancing towards civil service reform, we must not as a municipality be unmindful of so correct a principle. Among your first duties will be the election of several officers to fill important executive positions during the year. I would suggest that where these places are now filled by persons entirely competent and faithful, it is not doing your duty to the city to make a change; and it would be equally wrong to continue an incompetent officer in his place merely for personal or political motives. In making your choice I trust each member will act just as he would were it a business of his own, and fill all these places with the persons who appear to be the best fitted for the service.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Superintendent of Woodland Cemetery reports his receipts at $165.30; expenses, $133.88.

The Library Trustees refer to the fact that patrons of that institution are interesting themselves more than formerly in "historical, classical and scientific works, so that less time has been left to them for works of fiction." This is certainly an encouraging report to hear from the Public Library.

The reports of the City Physician, the Police Justice, Overseers of the Poor, City Collector, City Clerk and Messenger, and Health Commissioners, all will demand your careful reading, as being suggestive of some action that may be required at your hands.

IN CONCLUSION,

I would say to the members of the City Councils now before me that we have been chosen by our fellow-citizens

to do a specific service defined at the opening of these remarks. We have generally been selected without regard to the political party or religious sect to which we belong. It is a compliment that we no doubt all fully appreciate. It is not a lucrative position that we hold, but an honorable one, inasmuch as it is an evidence of trust and confidence reposed in us by our neighbors. And what I would like to emphasize here is, that as we are thus chosen as their agents, to do their will, it is our duty to study the wishes of our constituents in all our important acts, instead of being led solely by our own desires, prejudices, or judgment of what ought to be. Such I take it to be the duty of those who accept a public trust, and it is those who in the end will receive the award due the "good and faithful servant."

Thanking you for your patient attention, and trusting that our personal relations may be pleasant at all times, I will now give way to any motion that may come before the joint convention.

At the close of the Mayor's address, on motion, the members of the City Government adjourned to meet in joint convention at 7.30 o'clock P. M., when L. C. Doolittle was elected City Clerk. Afterward the Council was organized by the choice of Charles H. Hersey, President, and James E. Parmenter, Clerk.

The Council then adjourned.

KEENE CITY GOVERNMENT.

1883.

MAYOR:

HORATIO KIMBALL.

ALDERMEN:

WARD 1.
Silas Hardy.

WARD 2.
George L. Burdett.

WARD 3.
George E. Holbrook.

WARD 4.
Frederick H. Kingsbury.

WARD 5—Reuben Hyland.

L. C. DOOLITTLE, *City Clerk.*

COMMON COUNCILMEN:

CHARLES H. HERSEY, *President.*

WARD 1.
James Marsh,
Clark F. Rowell,
Daniel C. Howard.

WARD 2.
Walter W. Glazier,
Asa M. Holt,
Franklin H. Fay.

WARD 3.
Austin E. Howard,
Virgil A. Wright,
Henry N. Stone.

WARD 4.
C. J. Woodward,
Charles H. Hersey,
Charles Wright.

WARD 5.
Leonard Wright, Marcus Ellis, Fred A. Barker.

JAMES E. PARMENTER, *Clerk.*

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Finance—The Mayor, Alderman Hardy, Councilmen Marsh and Rowell.

Lands and Buildings—Alderman Burdett, Councilmen A. E. Howard and Ellis.

Bridges—Alderman Hyland, Councilmen Charles Wright and V. A. Wright.

Streets, Sewers and Drains—Alderman Hyland, Councilmen L. Wright and D. C. Howard.

Burying Grounds—Alderman Holbrook, Councilmen Fay and Stone.

Fire Department—Alderman Kingsbury, Councilmen A. E. Howard and Glazier.

Lamps and Lamp Posts—Alderman Hardy, Councilmen V. A. Wright and L. Wright.

Water Works—Alderman Holbrook, Councilmen Barker and Fay.

Printing—Alderman Hyland, Councilmen D. C. Howard and Ellis.

Schools—Alderman Burdett, Councilmen Holt and Marsh.

Claims—Alderman Kingsbury, Councilmen Woodward and Barker.

Engrossed Bills—Alderman Holbrook, Councilmen Rowell and Glazier.

Public Library—Alderman Hardy, Councilmen Stone and Woodward.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Bills on their Second Reading—Aldermen Hardy, Burdett and Kingsbury.

Licenses—Aldermen Holbrook, Kingsbury and Burdett.

Simmons and Ministerial Fund—Aldermen Burdett, Holbrook and Hardy.

Police—Aldermen Hyland, Holbrook and Kingsbury.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Bills on their Second Reading—Councilmen A. E. Howard, Charles Wright and Barker.

Elections—Councilmen Woodward, V. A. Wright and D. C. Howard.

City Hall—The Mayor, Councilman L. Wright and City Messenger.

CITY SOLICITOR:

John T. Abbott.

POLICE JUSTICE:

Edward Farrar.

CITY MESSENGER:

Edwin O. Keith.

ASSESSORS:

WARD 1.
John L. Butler.

WARD 2.
Henry Purcell.

WARD 3.
George H. Nims.

WARD 4.
William S. Briggs.

WARD 5.
Sylvanus A. Morse.

COLLECTOR:

Samuel O. Gates.

CITY TREASURER:

J. R. Beal.

HEALTH COMMISSIONERS.

John Humphrey, William H. Prentiss,
Milton Blake.

CITY PHYSICIAN:

Silas M. Dinsmoor.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR:

WARD 1.
Edwin O. Keith.

WARD 2.
Henry Purcell.

WARD 3.
Wesley Austin.

WARD 4.
Shubael White and
George H. Tilden.

WARD 5.
Philander Howland and Horace Hamblett.

SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES AND SEXTON:

Henry Purcell.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS:

N. G. Gurnsey, Edwin S. Foster,
John Humphrey.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS:

Daniel H. Sawyer.

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS:

James R. Livermore.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

G. C. Hill.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Charles H. Hersey,
William P. Chamberlain,
D. W. Gilbert,
Miss Katie I. Tilden,
Mrs. M. R. Osborne,
Mrs. E. J. C. Gilbert.

LIBRARIAN:

Mrs. L. M. Converse.
Assistant, Miss Zeolide B. Gilmore.

CITY MARSHAL:

Samuel O. Gates.

CONSTABLE:

Edwin O. Keith.

POLICE OFFICERS:

Parker C. Butler,
Addis E. Bennett,
Jacob Staples,
Edwin O. Keith,
Henry H. Haines,
Amasa Plastridge,
Joseph W. Cummings,
James R. Livermore,
Charles W. Peasley.

CHIEF ENGINEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

George D. Wheelock.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:

Murray V. Wright.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Joint Standing Committee on Finance respectfully lay before the City Councils the following statement of all receipts and expenditures from December 1, 1882, to December 1, 1883, together with a schedule of property, real and personal, belonging to the city, and the value thereof, and the amount of the city debts.

EXPENDITURES.

CITY OFFICERS AND ORDINARY CITY CHARGES.

I. W. Russell, salary as Mayor, one-fourth, 1882	$50 00
H. Kimball, " " three-fourths, 1883	150 00
J. T. Abbott, salary as Solicitor, fees, etc.,	80 97
E. O. Keith, salary as City Messenger	400 00
L. C. Doolittle, salary as City Clerk and postage	503 40
J. E. Parmenter, salary as Clerk of Council	50 00
S. O. Gates, salary as City Collector	350 00
R. H. Porter, salary as City Treasurer	50 00

J. N. Morse, salary as Health Commissioner				$20 00
L. Wellington,	"	"	"	20 00
J. J. Holbrook,	"	"	"	20 00
A. M. Nims, salary as Clerk, Ward 1				7 00
J. Marsh, salary as Moderator,		"		2 00
W. H. Preckle, salary as Selectman, Ward 1, one-half year				2 50
F. A. White,	"	"	"	5 00
C. G. Farrar,	"	Clerk,	Ward 2	7 00
W. B. Fitch,	"	Moderator,	"	2 00
W. E. Burdett,	"	Selectman,	"	5 00
H. Purcell,	"	"	"	5 00
F. H. Fay,	"	"	"	5 00
H. A. Woodward,	"	Clerk,	Ward 3	7 00
W. H. Spalter,	"	Moderator,	"	2 00
C. A. Jones,	"	Selectman,	"	5 00
M. A. Stowell,	"	"	"	5 00
J. J. Holbrook,	"	"	"	5 00
Theron Hayward,	"	Clerk,	Ward 4	7 00
G. H. Tilden,	"	Moderator,	"	2 00
J. Chase,	"	Selectman,	"	5 00
Charles Abbott, 2d	"	"	"	5 00
A. M. Wardwell, one-half year	"	"	"	2 50
G. H. Gilbert,	"	Clerk,	Ward 5	7 00
L. P. Alden,	"	Moderator,	"	2 00
W. A. Barrett,	"	Selectman,	"	5 00
E. P. Hardy,	"	"	"	5 00
H. O. Spaulding,	"	"	"	5 00
H. Purcell,	"	Superintendent of Cemeteries		50 00
G. A. Ramsdell, record M. & K. R. R. case furnished				6 80
Eagle Hotel, use of room for election				10 00
G. H. Aldrich & Co., insurance on City Hall				48 00

Cheshire R. R. Co., rent of land	$30 00
J. J. Holbrook, surveying	24 73
J. & F. French, repair hearse	10 88
F. O. Quinn, care Ward room	3 00
G. H. Nims, Assessor's work, 1882	7 00
P. C. Butler, " " "	6 00
D. A. Brown, " " "	15 00
D. R. Cole, " " " and Supervisor	26 00
E. E. Bissell, Supervisor, 1882	15 00
J. W. Babbitt, " "	7 50
S. Nims, " "	7 50
L. Martin, " "	7 50
G. H. Tilden & Co., stationery	8 55
F. Chapman, Assessor's work, 1882	5 00
J. B. Abbott, fees as Police Justice	73 00
S. O. Gates, food for transients and fees	48 66
W. W. Ross, work in and about City Hall	9 50
J. W. Cummings, " "	53 25
Sentinel Printing Co., printing, 1882-3	519 30
R. H. Porter, labor and expense on sewer and R. R. bonds	55 45
J. H. Bufford & Son, printing bonds	150 00
E. E. Jennison, damage to land	15 00
Keene Gas Light Co., gas	293 71
W. H. Spalter & Co., stationery, etc.,	28 50
W. B. Allen, printing	10 50
L. Collins, clearing Beaver brook	20 24
J. D. Colony & Sons, printing, 1882-3	119 10
N. E. Observer Co., " "	63 05
W. H. Hubbard, work on boilers	2 00
J. R. Beal, expense to Boston on bonds	7 73
C. Bridgman, matches, etc.,	55
Blake & Mason, city directories	4 50
W. Winn, work in Hall cellar	1 50

A. Smith, postage stamps	$2 74
C. Parker, work in and about City Hall	10 20
F. Wentworth, bounty on crows	10
G. A. Gordon, carpenter work	7 00
P. C. & C. H. Butler, land damages	89 25
G. W. Flagg, report births and deaths	4 75
W. R. Dunham, " " "	5 25
I. D. Gates, truant officer	21 25
E. G. Randall, trucking, etc.,	2 50
G. B. Twitchell, reporting births and deaths	14 25
H. H. Darling, " " "	6 75
Ira J. Prouty, " " "	50
S. M. Dinsmoor, " " "	3 00
G. C. Hill, " " "	20 75
H. Woodward, bounty on crows	70
G. C. Hill, salary as Superintendent of Schools	50 00
Board of Education	135 00
O. E. Bragg, damage to horse	30 00
J. L. Butler, Assessor's work, 1883	130 50
H. Purcell, " "	118 00
G. H. Nims, " "	136 00
W. S. Briggs, " "	148 00
S. A. Morse, " "	170 00
J. Drury, work about hall	1 75
E. Farrar, fees police court and salary	151 85
M. T. Tottingham, furniture for hall	2 00
Cheshire county, use of Court house	25 00
G. H. Bridgman, fees for vaccinating	2 50
Jackson & Hayward, hardware	2 75
Nourse and Norcross, bounty on crows	40
J. B. & L. Allen, " "	1 30
Knowlton & Stone, hardware, etc.,	16 83
J. Wyman, bounty on crows	1 00
P. Burns, whitewashing	5 00
J. W. Buckminster, use of team	2 50

L. C. Doolittle, records, fees for reporting births, etc.,	$138 80
Town of Winchendon, expense of Steamer Co.	17 75
Hosea Foster, searching records	3 00
G. H. Tilden & Co., books and stationery	43 50
E. O. Keith, paid for cleaning hall and council room	28 37
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, repair clock for hall	40
Cheshire County Telephone Co., use of instrument	18 00
Darling & Kimball, printing	23 00
G. A. Richardson, damage to horse and carriage	25 00
A. H. Grimes, brooms, etc.,	4 74
V. A. Wright, fees for sealing measures	1 00
H. Giffin, coal for hall	304 91
J. W. Taylor, painting scenery	7 50
J. Holman, bounty on woodchuck	10
D. Hamilton, pens for office	75
L. D. Darling, damage to fence	2 00
A. B. Thompson, fees for record	1 00
Whittemore & Co., printing	1 25
E. O. Keith, putting in gas pipe Neptune house	38 75
H. W. Cooper, lawn mower	10 00
Boston Daily Advertiser, advertising bonds	22 25
Curtis, Guild & Co., " "	6 00
G. A. Gordon, labor and material in hall	5 60
Batchelder & Faulkner, fees in Atwood case	51 00
R. L. Angier, stone for sluice Eastern Ave., 1881	24 00
Woodbury & Howard, chairs for hall	5 00
Keene Water Works, water for hall and stores	41 00
Dort & Chandler, sponges for hall	1 77
Keene Marble Co., stone for Neptune house	12 00
G. A. Gordon, labor and material on Steamer house	243 74

H. Purcell, work on Hibbard lot		$25 75
E. P. Whitcomb, paint and paper		19 62
S. O. Gates, stove for Steamer house		9 25
		$6,024 54
Balance in Treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$2,060 89	
Amount Appropriated, 1883	6,000 00	
	$8,060.89	

CITY PAUPERS.

S. M. Dinsmoor, medical attendance J. Heald	$24 00
L. F. Buffum, care E. Ballou	514 28
George Kingsbury, expense to Winchester	1 00
Mrs. H. I. Allen, aid for self	13 28
John Ellis, " "	53 02
M. A. Naramore, care of Mrs. Ballou	52 02
C. A. Bouvier, care Harmon child	4 00
G. W. Heald, wood for J. Heald	8 00
M. A. Crouch, aid for self	28 47
S. White, taking affidavits	1 50
W. G. Hall, dry goods furnished	1 35
Mrs. J. Warren, care Mahar child	8 84
G. C. Hill, medical attendance J. Heald	4 00
C. M. Cummings, shoes, etc, furnished	14 50
J. B. Fisher, " "	8 46
J. A. Drummer, house rent and wood furnished	14 00
S. O'Brien, care J. McLear	23 93
Boston Branch Store, groceries furnished	84 04
Tim Kelleher, care Mrs. J. Chambers	227 29
S. J. Cram, care Mrs. A. Howard	39 92
S. O. Gates, taking affidavits	1 00
W. B. Fitch, wood furnished	199 33

N. H. Asylum, board and care Lizzie Pierce and others	$402 08
G. W. Pierce, medical attendance E. Ballou	80 01
M. Ellis, land rent for Murray & Shortell	35 00
S. O. Gates, salary as Overseer, Ward 1	20 00
George Kingsbury, " " 2	20 00
H. Stowell, " " 3	20 00
S. White, " " 4	20 00
P. Howland, " " 5	20 00
G. H. Bridgman, salary as City Physician one-fourth of a year	12 50
N. H. Industrial School, care of inmates	242 54
R. P. Clagget, fees in J. Heald case	4 18
G. H. Tilden & Co., books for poor children	70 76
Bullard & Foster, medicines, etc., furnished	1 35
Dort & Chandler, " "	4 40
P. H. McCushing, groceries "	56 70
G. W. Ball & Co., clothing "	9 25
G. M. Willard & Co., " "	8 50
Town of Chesterfield, support Hall family	129 00
H. M. Darling, meat furnished	88
W. P. Chamberlain, dry goods furnished	1 00
J. F. & F. H. Whitcomb, clothing "	6 88
Woodbury & Howard, caskets, etc., "	10 00
F. H. Wright, shoes "	11 40
M. M. Parker, care Mrs. Fred Waldo	61 43
Abel Stone, for Mrs. Allen	3 00
A. H. Grimes, groceries furnished	112 83
W. H. Spalter & Co., books furnished poor children	139 27
C. Bridgman, groceries furnished	117 19
G. H. Nims, wood "	12 50
G. B. Twitchell, medical service for Mrs. F. Waldo	67 50
Herman Wilder, care Mrs. Stevens	65 99

H. P. Muchmore, coal furnished	$10 75
J. D. Dunbar, use of team, Mrs. Marsh	3 00
M. T. Tottingham, caskets, etc., furnished	12 00
H. Giffin, coal "	15 75
H. O. Estey, board of Harvey Ballou	31 01
M. V. B. Clark, groceries furnished	117 85
Mrs. W. H. Pettes, board of Mr. Pettes at asylum	81 14
S. M. Dinsmoor, salary as City Physician three-fourths of a year	37 50
T. J. French, groceries furnished	110 74
G. H. Piper & Co., dry goods furnished	3 50
H. Purcell, services as sexton	6 00
George E. Holbrook & Co., groceries furnished	50 90
Mrs. P. Ryan, board of J. Mann	5 00
F. E. Keyes, groceries furnished	47 50
A. W. Baker, shoes, etc., "	6 15
Granville Miller, eare Mrs. Stevens	10 00
Amos Blanchard, care R. Blake	8 70
Chase & Richards, clothing furnished	2 50
S. White, salary as Overseer one-half year	10 00
Invalids' Home, board and care of Mrs. Amos Howard	33 99
Kirk & Sewall, goods for Mrs. Graves	20
S. M. Dinsmoor, expense to Winchester, Ballou	15 72
P. Howland, salary as Overseer 7 months	11 67
Mason & Wheeler, clothing furnished	8 00
W. Austin, expense to Winchester	1 00
A. H. Hamblett, wood and milk furnished	11 38
J. F. Porter, board of Mrs. Stevens	13 57
S. E. Wyman, " R. Blake	6 75
H. Hamblett, expense to Alstead	3 00
S. A. Gerould, house rent for Mrs. O. Graves	30 00
Mrs. N. Wright, board of A. Bingham	10 85
J. B. Abbott, affidavits	9 50

Davis, Wright & Co., work on stove	$1 50
W. W. Stone, wood	3 00
	$3,822 51

COUNTY PAUPERS.

J. R. Beal & Co., clothing furnished	6 50
G. W. Zimmerman, milk, etc., "	38 22
Woodbury & Howard, caskets, etc., furnished	52 00
N. G. Woodbury, wood	2 25
L. Martin, use of team	9 00
R. P. Leonard, board and care W. Leonard	82 55
Faulkner & Colony, rent for J. Ryan	81 00
C. M. Cummings, shoes, etc., furnished	21 05
J. B. Fisher, " "	24 13
J. A. Drummer, wood "	17 12
Silvia Snow, aid for self	54 17
Boston Branch Store, groceries furnished	87 14
M. McGee, care Kate Barrett child	52 22
S. O. Gates, fares and moving goods	8 75
W. B. Fitch, wood furnished	216 88
George Wagner, milk "	3 37
M. Hines, house rent for Mrs. Donovan	10 00
Safford & Sanborn, meat furnished	12 45
P. H. McCushing, groceries "	16 84
H. Giffin, coal "	10 87
H. P. Muchmore, coal "	21 51
J. F. & F. H. Whitcomb, clothing furnished	5 77
A. H. Grimes, groceries "	84 63
F. O. Nims, meat "	12 48
Bullard & Foster, medicines "	4 60
C. Bridgman, groceries "	107 39
Contingent Fund, railroad fares for paupers	20 65
S. M Dinsmore, attendance on Heald	3 00

M. V. B. Clark, groceries furnished	115 48
E. G. Randall, trucking goods	3 50
W. Austin, paid out for paupers	7 00
George H. Nims, wood furnished	7 50
W. G. Hall, dry goods "	1 03
F. H. Wright, shoes "	6 50
P. Howland, paid for care C. Doyle	5 25
T. J. French, groceries furnished	117 44
Mrs. J. E. Heald, aid for self	52 00
S. White, wood furnished J. Ryan	6 62
Mason & Wheeler, clothing furnished	1 00
Mrs. J. Lavin, for rent of house	3 50
M. T. Tottingham & Co., casket, etc., furnished	10 00
Mrs. J. White, house rent for K. Donovan	3 73
W. W. Stone, wood furnished	2 00
George E. Holbrook & Co., groceries furnished	28 82
H. Purcell, services as sexton	3 00
F. E. Keyes, groceries furnished	49 48
A. W. Baker, shoes "	11 50
Cheshire R. R. Co., rent of land	10 50
Chase & Richards, clothing furnished	3 85
A. A. Blanchard, care R. Blake	4 43
D. S. Willard, moving goods	1 50
Oliver & Royce, food furnished	1 00
O. Seward, moving goods	1 50
W. P. Chamberlain, dry goods furnished	2 25
A. H. Hamblett, wood and milk "	20 52
S. E. Wyman, board of R. Blake	15 75
L. Martin, use of team	11 00
O. Seward, trucking	2 25
J. Ellis, aid for self	4 29
J. B. Abbott, affidavits	9 00
Total,	$1,589 73

County paupers	$1,589 73
City "	3,822 51
	$5,412 24

Balance in treasury Dec. 1. 1882	$566 52	
Amount appropriated, 1883	3,500 00	
Received from county	1,304 90	
" " town of Washington	44 46	
" " other sources	52 89	
	$5,468 77	

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

J. R. Livermore, salary as Superintendent	$550 00
T. T. Russell, building swamp road	110 00
J. A. Drummer, for sand	3 30
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, powder and fuse	33 57
J. Chase, work on highway	5 52
T. Grimes, " "	7 50
J. H. Smith, work on highway	1 50
Humphrey Machine Co., labor and material	6 50
W. H. Hubbard, " on tools	1 00
M. Guillow, lumber	138 94
Spencer & Co., hardware	25 37
J. R. Livermore, Superintendent, pay roll for labor, etc.,	3,729 65
M. C. Ellis, work on highway	2 00
S. C. Ellis, " "	9 60
A. L. Harkness, painting signs	8 00
Beaver Mills, lumber and sawing	106 54
D. A. Brown, work on highway	61 90

R. Ray, blacksmith work	$16 44
E. G. Randall, cleaning sidewalk	62 05
Ellenwood & Eastman, gravel	1 04
G. W. Pierce, work on highway	5 00
L. Martin, clearing sidewalk	18 00
D. S. Willard, " "	16 00
O. D. Pratt, " "	29 75
C. A. Brooks, damage on highway	5 00
David Woodward, work on "	15 75
T. F. Leahy, painting signs	2 00
H. O. Estey, work on highway	6 00
G. W. Porter, clearing sidewalk	5 00
J. Kingsbury, " "	12 25
O. Seward, " "	1 50
D. W. Gilbert, work on highway	2 00
W. W. Stone, " "	6 25
J. Palmer, " "	103 42
O. H. Fay, " "	6 40
J. Driscoll, " "	20 55
W. R. Scripture, " "	4 25
A. L. Stearns, " "	9 25
G. W. Taft, scraper point	7 55
A. L. Adams, laying concrete walk	35 00
H. W. Clapp, sewer traps	6 00
L. White, work on highways	31 50
C. A. Brooks, blacksmithing	5 00
S. W. Dart, lumber	2 37
Charles Abbott, work on highway	52 62
C. M. Foster, " "	4 24
L. E. Joslin, clearing sidewalks	2 50
D. B. Stearns, work on highway	14 50
C. Wright, " "	6 25
G. A. Gordon, scraping sidewalk and making sign boards	33 52
Goodnow Brothers, lumber	10 80

Keene Chair Co., sawing stringers for bridge	$1 50
G. H. Tilden & Co., time book	35
A. R. & E. S. Foster, lumber and work on drain	3 25
Cheshire Chair Co., chestnut lumber	28 55
George F. Cobb, work on tools	1 50
J. Katon, work on highway	66 67
U. S. & Canada Co., express	55
R. S. Graves, work on highway	10 00
H. H. Barker, drawing stone, etc.,	55 12
G. K. Wright, work on highways	4 00
F. E. Keyes, for powder	4 65
J. G. Joslin, for sand	14 10
J. J. Kennedy & Co., blacksmith work	2 63
S. Spaulding, rubber boots	4 00
H. A. Davis, work on highway	3 30
F. A. Faulkner, for sand	10 75
H. Giffin, trucking	1 10
Cheshire Prov. Inst., for sand	3 10
Davis, Wright & Co.,	80
H. M. Nims, work on highway	8 88
C. W. Heaton, " "	7 50
Knowlton & Stone, hardware, etc.,	151 94
W. Dickinson, for gravel	15 10
H. H. Barker, drawing stone	14 86
C. N. Nims, work on highway	9 50
Thomas Grimes, " "	8 25
E. I. Parks, " "	3 00
	$5,795 65

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$177 11
Amount appropriated, 1883	6,000 00
	$6,177 11

OLD SEWERS OR DRAINS.

J. R. Livermore, pay roll for help, &c.		$500 00
Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$284 75	
Amount appropriated, 1883	500 00	
	$784 75	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

G. D. Wheelock, salary, Chief Engineer	$30 00
J. A. Batchelder, " Asst. Engineer and other work	37 00
H. H. Barker, " " "	25 00
W. H. Preckle, " " "	25 00
F. B. Cass, " " " and other work	40 00
W. H. Reyoum, " " "	25 00
C. L. Kingsbury, " " "	25 00
T. J. French, crackers, cheese, sugar, &c.	74 98
J. D. Dunbar, use of horse to fires	63 50
G. H. Tilden & Co., books and stationery	5 55
E. O. Keith, repair gas pipe Neptune House, &c.	9 00
Sentinel Printing Co., printing	23 50
L. Gay, work as steward	1 25
W. B. Fitch, wood furnished	36 83
W. P. Chamberlain, goods furnished	90
E. Symonds, work on hydrants and wardrobe	20 00
Keene Gas Co., gas	32 14
L. Martin, use of horse at fires	32 00
J. D. Colony & Sons, printing	25 25
J. T. Armstrong, work on gas pipe	17 03
Davis, Wright & Co., supplies for hose company	9 62

S. S. Wilkinson & Co., repair hose, etc.,	$7 35
Fred. N. Woods, steward work	27 00
Bowker & Streeter, use of horse at fires	16 00
Chas. E. Harrington, steward work	2 00
Geo. T. Cobb, work on hose sled	8 39
D. S. Smith, work as fireman	5 00
A. Richardson, " "	5 00
New England Observer Co., printing	5 89
M. C. Bemis, work on hose carriage	1 75
Spencer & Co., hardware	1 05
D. M. Nichols, wood furnished	2 00
F. O. Quinn, work as steward, &c.	35 00
Geo. A. Gordon, lumber and work	10 30
Geo. O. Hayward, runners for hose carriage	15 00
A. L. Harkness, painting	3 50
R. Ray, blacksmithing	13 35
J. Drury, work on hydrant	13 50
H. W. Hall, work as steward, &c.	17 00
Chase & Richards, rubber coats	36 00
E. W. Abbott, steward work, &c.	15 00
Geo. Forbes, work as steward	3 75
Washington Hook & Ladder Co., for uniforms	150 00
Phœnix Hose Co. for uniforms	150 00
M. T. Tottingham & Co., lettering coats, &c.	4 50
Deluge Hose Co., paying for refreshments	4 00
P. Burns, whitewashing	3 25
P. O'Leary and others, extra time at fires	27 50
E. Gustine & Co., lamp bracket	1 30
D. Chamberlain, painting	5 50
American Steam Gauge Co., hose nozzle, &c.	17 50
A. J. Nourse & Co., hose straps	29 35
N. G. Woodbury, wood furnished	8 50
N. Denio, work on hose pole straps, etc.,	12 50
Anderson & Jones, for torches	6 65
D. B. Piper, making keys	3 50

A. D. Cook, chairs for Phœnix hose house	$20 00
F. Morrison, work on ladder truck	1 15
A. L. & J. E. Harkness, varnishing ladder truck	15 00
Neptune Hose Co., pay roll	284 50
Phœnix " "	293 75
Deluge " "	295 00
Washington Hook and Ladder Co., pay roll	262 50
Bangor Extension Ladder Co., ladder	180 00
U. S. & Canada Express Co., express on hose	2 45
W. Buckminster, trucking	75
W. H. Harrington, steward work	9 50
Silsby Manf'g Co., hose nozzles	25 75
L. D. Shaw, hose pipe	10 00
J. F. & F. H. Whitcomb, rubber coats	30 00
American Fire Hose Co., hose	630 00
Allen Fire Dept. Co., hose jackets and straps	17 50
A. J. Aldrich, refreshments furnished	5 00
G. H. Tenney, steward work	10 00
Cheshire R. R. Co., freight on ladder, etc.,	12 42
D. S. Willard, trucking	1 75
Sumner & Goodwin, waste	6 50
J. W. Buckminster, use of horse	2 00
J. F. Dean, coal for steamer	28 00
New York Packing Co., hose	150 00
George E. Holbrook & Co., groceries	3 40
C. Bridgman, "	4 34
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, duster, etc.,	4 08
D. D. Kepple, gas pipe and fittings	21 43
Dort & Chandler, oil, etc.,	2 35
A. R. & E. S. Foster, labor and material on ladder, etc.,	34 40
H. Giffin, coal	1 76
J. R. Livermore, packing hydrant boxes	15 75
G. H. Tilden & Co., stationery, etc.,	15 51
	$3,618 95

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$560 87
Amount appropriated, 1883	3,023 39
	$3,537 48

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

S. O. Gates, salary as Marshal and police work		$114 68
P. C. Butler,	police work	95 00
A. Plastridge,	"	145 77
Charles W. Peasley,	"	129 87
A. E. Bennett,	"	376 00
H. H. Haines,	"	32 00
J. W. Cummings,	"	98 00
J. Staples,	"	747 77
I. D. Gates,	"	1 00
J. R. Livermore,	"	59 00
William Reyoum,	"	4 00
L. Holmes,	"	3 00
Keene Gas Co., gas		29 56
Davis, Wright & Co., repair stove, etc.,		6 40
H. Giffin, coal		17 33
J. D. Dunbar, use of team		2 00
Telephone Co., message		25
Woodbury & Howard, mattress		4 50
C. Bridgman, matches		1 60
George E. Poole, police clubs		6 75
S. S. Wilkinson & Co., police belts, etc.,		19 00
		$1,893 48

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$256 76
Amount appropriated	1,800 00
	$2,056 76

WATER WORKS.

D. H. Sawyer, salary as superintendent	$600 00
" labor roll, etc.,	356 49
W. H. Spalter & Co., stationery, etc.,	10 13
N. G. Gurnsey, salary as Water Commissioner	15 00
D. H. Holbrook, " " "	15 00
Jarecki, Hayes & Co., stop boxes	64 80
G. A. Gordon, labor and material	4 82
G. H. Tilden & Co., stationery and books	12 00
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber, etc.,	21 00
Humphrey Machine Co., labor and material	86 80
Knowlton & Stone, hardware, etc.	92 57
Davis, Wright & Co., labor and material	36 62
M. Ellis, iron, etc.,	21 00
Keene Furniture Co., lumber, etc.,	26 25
	$1,362 48

WATER WORKS EXTENSION.

E. Gustine & Co., laying pipe on Grove, Myrtle, Foster, Vernon, Centre, Washington and George streets	$3,050 00
E. O. Keith, laying pipe on Woodburn street	60 00
J. T. Armstrong, work on hydrants	20 38
J. R. Livermore, filling street	9 00
	$3,139 38

Amount appropriated $3,637 00

STREET LIGHTS.

Keene Gas Light Co., lighting streets	$1,205 00
" " posts, lanterns, etc.,	183 57

Globe Gas Light Co., lighting streets	$459 79
A. T. Wilder, repair lanterns	11 93
J. R. Livermore " "	5 00
Knowlton & Stone, glass and paint	2 52
Spencer & Co., " "	7 15
J. T. Armstrong, repair lanterns	6 31
	$1,881 27

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$420 36
Amount appropriated, 1883	1,500 00
	$1,920 36

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

G. H. Tilden & Co., books and paper	$34 65
F. Leypold, "	3 00
Lockwood & Brooks, "	423 57
W. H. Spalter & Co., paper, etc.,	16 90
C. F. Gilbert, binding books	22 15
C. Scribner & Son, "	6 00
D. W. Gilbert, paying for books	11 50
J. Brown, Agent, books	6 50
Blake & Mason, city directory	1 50
I. H. Fuller, book	3 00
W. P. Hopkins, "	6 00
	$534 77

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$78 47
Appropriated, 1883	500 00
	$578 47

PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPENSES.

Mrs. L. M. Converse, salary as Librarian	$300 00
Miss Z. B. Gilmore, " Assistant Librarian	45 20
W. P. Chamberlain, paid for cleaning rooms	6 50
Sentinel Printing Co., printing catalogues	24 00
H. Purcell, work on book cases	13 99
G. H. Tilden & Co., pencils, ink, etc.,	1 87
Keene Gas Co., gas	26 10
N. E. School Furnishing Co., paper slips	1 25
C. W. Clark, paper	2 40
Jackson & Hayward, lock	75
R. Brooks, work on railing	2 00
A. B. & S. W. Skinner, dusters, etc.,	3 00
A. E. Fish, screens	7 25
C. Bridgman, pail and mop	44
	$434 75

Balance, Dec. 1, 1882	$224 26
Appropriated, 1883	545 20
	$769 46

SCHOOLS.

District No. 1	$15,977 02
" 2	545 50
" 3	175 60
" 4	156 62
" 5	183 97
" 6	195 92
" 7	180 92
" 8	173 24

District No. 9	$185 43
" 10	644 32
" 11	150 49
	$18,569 03

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

District No. 10	$1,075 00

SIMMONS FUND.

Miss Ann Cummings	$10 00
Mrs. A. G. Reed	10 00
Miss K. Billings	10 00
" E. Hall	10 00
Mrs. J. Tufts	10 00
" C. Heustice	5 00
	$55 00

Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$21 00	
Amount of interest, 1883	60 00	
	$81 00	

MINISTERIAL FUND.

Rev. W. H. Eaton	$27 35
" C. Richardson	27 35
" A. Walkley	27 35
" F. W. Tomkins	27 35
" H. S. Thompson	27 35
" J. A. Power	27 34
" W. D. L. Love	27 35
	$191 44

Amount of interest, Jan. 1, 1883 $191 44

MEMORIAL DAY.

Amount appropriated, 1883	$150 00

SEWERAGE CONSTRUCTION.

The Drainage Construction Co., as per contract	$41,257 67
The Drainage Construction Co., making plans	62 00
" " pipe for Cross street	25 36
Adams & Muzzey, superintending and inspecting	2,189 59
Adams & Muzzey, making plans	405 00
J. T. Armstrong, connecting with flush tanks	398 86
L. Martin, for use of team	59 70
E. M. Bullard, expense to Boston	11 03
Hersey and Abbott, rent of room for Superintendent	17 00
E. F. Lang, land damage	200 00
Irene Griffith, "	55 00
L. E. Joslin, "	75 00
J. N. Farnum, "	30 00
F. Gallagher, "	50 00
E. E. Jennison, " and crops	90 00
C. L. Russell, "	1 00
Boston & Lowell R. R., land damage	1 00
Cheshire R. R., "	2 00
L. J. Tuttle, "	50 00
P. F. Bowker and Mrs. Fletcher, land damage	75 00
Edwards' estate, "	25 00
W. O. White, "	10 00
J. W. Dodge, "	5 00

Faulkner & Colony, land damage	$75 00
D. H. Sawyer, paying help on Cross street	18 26
	$45,188 47

Balance, Dec. 1, 1882 $50,999 62

NEW SEWER REPAIRS.

D. H. Sawyer, pay roll for repair and care	$112 05
Nims, Whitney & Co., lumber	1 45
Knowlton & Stone, pipe, etc.,	15 46
G. A. Gordon, lumber and labor	3 00
G. H. Tilden, books	9 25
	$141 21

Amount received for sewer applications $455 00

CITY HALL TICKET OFFICE.

G. A. Gordon, labor and material	$14 68
Nims, Whitney & Co., sash, etc.,	3 65
M. T. Tottingham & Co., shades, etc.,	1 80
J. W. Cummings, work, etc.,	7 74
Knowlton & Stone, hardware	1 35
	$29 22

Amount appropriated $29 22

FIRE STEAMER.

Manchester Locomotive Works	$3,600 00
F. H. Kingsbury, expenses examining steamers	3 35

A. E. Howard,	expenses examining steamers	$5 60
W. W. Glazier,	" " "	8 35
G. D. Wheelock,	" " "	8 97
		$3,626 27

Amount appropriated $3,626 27

COUNTY TAX.

County of Cheshire	$8,909 96

MANCHESTER & KEENE RAILROAD.

W. S. Ladd, counsel fees	$1,217 00
Briggs & Huse, execution	162,809 76
	$164,026 76

Amount appropriated for Ladd bill	$1,217 00
Amount for sale of Bonds	162,416 00
	$163,633 00

REPAIR DELUGE AND PHŒNIX HOUSES.

W. A. Barrett, brick and sand	$20 40
A. W. Eastman, laying foundation	15 00
C. A. Mason, " "	12 00
J. F. Nourse, " "	10 40
Chas. Woods, mason work	15 50
E. Symonds, work on partitions, &c.	29 00
G. A. Gordon, labor and material	23 33
	$125 63

Amount appropriated $141 00

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

City Hall rents	$1,184 00
Store rents	1,468 50
Water rents	10,332 30
Sewer applications, &c.	455 00
Library funds	77 15
Taxes, 1882	11,934 96
" 1883	52,600 00
Keene National Bank, daily balances	1,292 28
Insurance tax	1,160 00
Abatement from State	179 62
Railroad tax	3,992 82
Savings Bank tax	10,381 55
Literary fund	532 68
Police fines	155 00
County Paupers	1,304 90
Lodgings at station	46 00
Highways, labor done and material furnished	16 60
Sewerage bonds and premiums	71,617 00
M. & K. Railroad bonds and premiums	162,416 00
Town of Washington pauper acct., J. Heald	44 46
N. H. bonds coupons	264 00
O. D. Pratt, for reservoir, 2 years	200 00
City pasture	231 00
S. O. Gates, burying horse	3 00
Cheshire County, for fines	25 52
Conscience fund	25 00
Rebate from Hillsborough County, on M. & K. Railroad case	300 00

W. Austin, for grass sold	$11 00
" goods furnished J. W. Mansfield	10 53
E. O. Keith, from Chamber's Estate	31 36
" old settees sold	31 50
	$332,323 73
Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1882	$49,075 79
	$381,399 52

EXPENDITURES.

Ordinary city charges	$6,024 54
City paupers	3,822 51
County paupers	1,589 73
Highways	5,795 65
Sewers or drains,	500 00
Fire department	3,618 95
Police "	1,893 48
Water works	1,362 48
" " extension	3,139 38
Street lights	1,881 37
Public library	534 77
" " expense	434 75
Schools	18,569 03
School House No. 10	1,075 00
Simmons fund	55 00
Ministerial fund	191 44
Memorial day	150 00
Repair engine house	125 63

Sewer construction	$45,188 47
Repairs and care sewer	141 21
W. S. Ladd, fees on M. & K. R. R. case	1,217 00
M. & K. R. R. execution	162,809 76
Repair box office city hall	29 22
Steamer	3,626 27
County tax	8,909 96
State tax	14,928 00
Note borrowed, Dec., 1882	35,000 00
Interest on same	275 62
Bonds	4,000 00
Coupons	8,001 00
Deposited at Boston to pay coupons	4,600 00
	$339,490 22
Balance in treasury, Dec. 1, 1883	41,909 30
	$381,399 52

ASSETS.

State bonds	$2,200 00
Balance due from Collector of 1876	481 54
Due from Collector, 1882	500 00
" " 1883	15,925 58
Balance in treasury	41,909 30
Due from water rates	188 54
	$61,204 96

INDEBTEDNESS.

WATER BONDS.

When due.	Rate of interest.	Amount due.
1884, Jan. 1	6 per cents,	$17,500
1885, July 1		10,500
1887, Jan. 1		4,000
1887, July 1		7,500
1888, "		500
1889, Jan. 1		21,700
1890, July 1		11,300
1892, Jan. 1		4,000
1892, July 1		9,000
1893, "		5,500
1896, Oct. 1		10,000
1899, Jan. 1	5 per cents,	35,000
		$136,500

RAILROAD GRATUITY BONDS.

1894, July 1	4 per cents,	$15,000
1895, "		15,000
1896, "		15,000
1897, "		15,000
1898, "		15,000
1899, "		15,000
1900, "		15,000
1901, "		15,000
1902, "		15,000
1903, "		15,000
1904, "		10,000
		$160,000

SEWERAGE BONDS.

1905, July 1	4 per cents,	$15,000
1906, "		15,000
1907, "		15,000
1908, "		15,000
1909, "		10,000
		$70,000

Total city debt, as above, $366,500.

TRUST FUNDS

In care of City Treasurer.

HIBBARD LEGACY.

Invested in five $200 5 per cent. Cheshire county bonds		$1,000

Income used in taking care of Salma Hale lot in cemetery, balance for schools.

CHARLES FAULKNER LEGACY.

Invested in one $1000 Keene Water Bond	$1,000	
Invested in two $500 Keene Water Bonds	1,000	
Invested in one $500 Town of Hinsdale Bond	500	
		$2,500 00

Income used in improving and ornamenting Woodland Cemetery.

IN THE CITY TREASURY.

Simmons Fund	$1,000

Given by David Simmons. Interest for the benefit of "aged and infirm women residents of Keene."

Ministerial Fund	$3,190

Derived from sale of wood on "Minister lot." Interest divided annually among the clergymen of Keene.

PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE CITY.

City hall building	$35,000 00
Furniture in same	1,000 00
Fire department	11,747 00
City pasture	2,000 00
Land and building on Vernon street	1,500 00
Water works, stock and tools	1,629 52
Highway tools and horses	1,100 00
City Marshal's office	200 00
	$54,176 52

We have examined the Treasurer's and City Clerk's books, and find that all the payments therein recorded are correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Dec. 14, 1883.

H. KIMBALL,
SILAS HARDY,
JAMES MARSH,
CLARK F. ROWELL,
Committee on Finance.

To the City Councils of the City of Keene:

The Committee on Finance respectfully lay before the City Councils the following estimates of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the ensuing year, and recommend that the same be raised by taxation: —

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1884.

Ordinary city charges	$7,000 00
Highways, bridges and drains	6,500 00
Public sewers, new	1,000 00
Fire department	1,500 00
City paupers	1,500 00
Interest on water loan	500 00
Public library	500 00
Lighting streets	1,800 00
Police	1,500 00
Support of public library	500 00
Memorial services	150 00
Interest on sewer loan	2,800 00
" on M. & K. R. R. gratuity bonds	6,400 00
Payment of water bonds	8,000 00
	$39,650 00

HIGHWAYS.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

GENTLEMEN: The following is submitted as my report as Superintendent of Highways in the City of Keene, for the year 1883.

Owing to the bad condition of the streets after the sewer had been laid through them, a greater expenditure has been necessary to restore them to a good condition than otherwise they need receive. Aside from this, the year has been very favorable to preserve good roads and walks without unusual outlay of work and material.

2161 loads of gravel from the City pasture have been put as the places demanded, on Court in part, Marlboro', West, Rallston, Emerald, Grove, Winchester and Main streets. This gravel is the best material for roads that we can command, for streets with its use are in a fair condition.

Rotten stone is the best material we have for sidewalks. 586 loads of this have been used to repair the walks on West, Emerald, Rallston, Winchester, Church, Marlboro', Grove, entire; Water and Roxbury streets, Butler and Madison courts. An entire new sidewalk has been built on Pearl street; and the road and walk on Island street have been raised so as to be above high water.

The old sewers have been thoroughly cleaned and repaired, and an addition put on near Beaver Mills.

Bridges are in a good fair condition, having been mostly rebuilt and repaired during the last two years.

The roads leading into the City are in a good condition and satisfactory.

For expenses see financial report.

The following is a list of the property in my charge belonging to the City of Keene:

Three large road scrapers, 3 small road scrapers, 2 plows, 1 snow plow, 2 saws, 6 round-pointed shovels, 6 square-pointed shovels, lot of old shovels, 7 picks, 3 large hammers, 2 paving hammers, 2 small hammers, 2 axes, 3 iron bars, 3 large drills, lot small drills and wedges, 2 wheelbarrows, 1 wrench, 1 basket, bits and braces, 3,000 feet hemlock lumber, and small lot of drain pipe.

I have collected and deposited with the City Treasurer for material sold and outside labor done, $10.60.

Received since Dec. 10, $3.00.

Respectfully,

J. R. LIVERMORE, *Superintendent.*

CITY PASTURE.

The fence has been wholly repaired from accumulated material with one and a half days' work at the expense of the highway fund.

Received for pasturage	$147 00
Deposited with City Treasurer	$147 00

J. R. LIVERMORE, *Agent.*

WATER WORKS.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

To the City Councils:

The usual exhibit of the financial affairs, etc., of the Keene Water Works for the year ending December 1, 1883, is contained in the report of the Superintendent which we hand you herewith; and the Commissioners have the pleasure of again reporting the duties of that officer well performed, particularly the assessment and collection of the water-rates, which have been attended to in a manner highly creditable to the office, and for the best interests of the department, as well as to the general satisfaction of patrons.

The water mains and other appurtenances of the Works have been kept in their usual good working conditions; but the present prospects of our water supply seem to demand a change from the lethargic and negative action which has prevailed.

While it is gratifying to note increasing patronage and income, with the consequent advantages which the extension and development of our system of Water Works may afford to those who should enjoy its benefits, it is desirable to have reasonable assurance that the supply may be kept commensurate to the increasing demand and not be unnecessarily liable to interruption or failure. Although "rain in due season" may save us from immediate scarcity of water, and continued good fortune may for awhile avert disaster from a failure of the principal water main, yet, ordinary prudence seems to demand an additional source of supply—and the present state of the reservoirs does not warrant the expectation that this can long be delayed without a reminder of the expediency of

some decisive action in this important matter quite as forcible (and perhaps nearly as unpleasant) as the repeated suggestions of the Water Board, who in accordance with their duty have endeavored to give timely and sufficient warning of what they consider an evident necessity. Having done this, the responsibility of providing for a sufficient supply, on restricted use, with its contingent disadvantages, must rest entirely with the City Councils.

During the past year a revision of water rates has been made, with a slight increase in some directions, particularly in the charges for the larger quantities used for manufacturing purposes—which make an important factor in the earnings of the Works—and have aided materially in making the receipts equal the expenditures for interest and working expenses. Although these rates are now extremely moderate, (as compared with rentals for similar uses in other places) some have demurred at the advance, yet, in most cases the change has been accepted as reasonable and expedient.

The Keene Water Works may now be said to be practically, self-sustaining, and with a liberal and judicious policy in their further development and management, we see no reason why their prosperous condition may not continue, and the advantages to be derived from their use be largely increased. A little intelligent legislation is greatly needed, however, to advance the best interests of the department.

Trusting that its requirements will not escape the attention of the City Government, these suggestions are

Respectfully submitted.

N. G. GURNSEY,
JOHN HUMPHREY,
E. S. FOSTER,
Commissioners Keene Water Works.

Keene, December 12, 1883.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the General City Ordinances, I herewith present a summary of the accounts of this department for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883:

SERVICE PIPES.

Number reported Dec. 1, 1882	933
" added during the year	67
Number attached to works, to date	1000

WATER RENTS.

Uncollected assessments per report, 1882	$355 33	
27th assessment, Dec. 1, 1882	4,597 83	
28th " June 1, 1883	5,535 88	
Total		$10,489 04

CORRECTIONS AND ABATEMENTS.

On assessments prior to 27th	$30 45	
" 27th and 28th	147 30	
		$177 75

COLLECTIONS.

On assessments prior to 27th	$324 88	
" 27th	4,440 46	
" 28th	5,357 41	
		$10,122 75

BALANCE UNPAID.

On assessment 27th	$40 92	
" 28th	147 62	
		$188 54
Total		$10,489 04

CASH ACCOUNT.

Received on account of water rents to Dec. 1, 1883	$10,122 75	
Received on account of tappings	99 05	
" " stock, etc., sold	110 50	
Total		$10,332 30
Deposited with City Treasurer	$10,332 30	

EARNINGS.

Water rents, assessment 27th	$4,597 83	
" " 28th	5,535 88	
Received on account of tappings	99 05	
" from O. D. Pratt for ice	100 00	
	$10,332 76	
Less corrections and abatements	177 75	
Total		$10,155 01

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Salary D. H. Sawyer, Superintendent	$600 00
" N. G. Gurnsey, Commissioner	15 00
" D. H. Holbrook, "	15 00
Humphrey Machine Co., labor and stock	24 30
Davis, Wright & Co., labor and stock	36 58
Knowlton & Stone, "	69 05
George A. Gordon, lumber, etc.,	4 82
Keene Furniture Co., hydrant boxes	26 25
Nims, Whitney & Co., gate "	21 00
Moses Ellis, box covers	21 00
W. H. Spalter & Co., books and stationery	10 13

G. H. Tilden & Co., stationery	$12 00	
D. H. Sawyer, paid bills	356 49	
Used from stock on hand	49 83	
		$1,261 45
Net earnings		$8,883 56

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

WASHINGTON AND GEORGE STREET EXTENSION.

E. Gustine & Co., 900 feet 6-inch pipe, 1100 " 4 " , 470 " 2 " , 3 hydrants	$1,950 00	
J. R. Livermore, drawing gravel	9 00	
		$1,959 00

MYRTLE, GROVE AND FOSTER STREETS.

E. Gustine & Co., 420 ft. 4-in. pipe, 1772 ft. 2 "	$1,059 11	
Humphrey Machine Co., 1 hydrant	9 50	
		$1,068 61

VERNON AND CENTRE STREETS.

E. Gustine & Co., 422 ft. 4-in. pipe (Vernon St.), 1 hydrant " , 427 ft. 2-in. pipe (Centre St.)	$475 00	
J. T. Armstrong & Co., valve, labor, etc., Centre street	20 38	
		$495 38

WOODBURN STREET.

E. O. Keith, 195 feet 2-inch pipe	60 00
Total expenditure, 1883	$3,582 99
Amount expended as per acct., Dec. 1, 1882	162,898 68
Makes construction acct., Dec. 1, 1883	$166,481 67

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Paid Jarecki, Hayes & Co., stop boxes	$73 44	
" Humphrey Machine Co., 3 two-inch connection valves	24 00	
" Humphrey Machine Co., 6 hydrant screws	27 00	
" Knowlton & Stone, 66¼ lbs. of hemp cord	17 89	
" Knowlton & Stone, 7½ lbs. W. S. rubber cloth	5 63	
Value of stock reported Dec. 1, 1882	1,481 56	
		$1,629 52

Rec'd of Drainage Construction Co., pipe	$23 57	
" Edward Gustine, cord and patches	3 14	
" for 54 extension stop boxes	73 44	
" for cement, pipe and box cover	4 60	
Used from stock on repairs	49 83	
		$154 58

ON HAND.

96 feet 12-inch cast iron pipe	$153 87
96 " 10 " " "	119 21
84 " 8 " " "	77 40
780 " 6 " " "	533 55
744 " 4 " " "	299 66
75 " 4 " wrought iron pipe	45 00
30 " 3 " " "	9 00
Lot of cement pipe	8 00
4 2-inch connection valves	32 00
2 2-inch hydrant valves	8 00
1 1¼ " " "	2 00

1 post hydrant	$17 50	
5 hydrant screws	27 00	
7 stop cocks	4 00	
Lot of hemp cord and rubber cloth	18 00	
		$1,354 19

TOOLS.

Office furniture and water gauges	$50 00	
3 pumps	12 00	
2 pairs pipe tongs and 1 pair snaps	8 00	
14 shovels and 13 picks	12 00	
2 bushels hooks	2 00	
3 hammers, 1 axe	4 25	
1 lantern and pail	1 50	
1 jack screw and wrench	13 00	
Rubber boots and mittens	8 00	
Lot miscellaneous articles	10 00	
		$120 75
		$1,629 52

I take pleasure in again being able to report a large increase in the revenue from water rents, and hope the City Government will soon devise some plan whereby the supply may be increased so as to keep pace with this growing demand. We have made quite extensive additions to the works the past year, giving the water to sections that were very much in need of it; as a consequence have added more connections than in any other year since 1873. Water in the pond is lower at this season than it has been before, since I have had care of the

works; the depth of water at the gate house was, Dec. 1, about seven feet and four inches. With this limited supply it is necessary that rigid economy should be exercised in its use. The repair account has been about the same as usual with the exception of extra expense on Beaver street, in repairing damage caused by lightning.

D. H. SAWYER,

Superintendent.

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

Received for 91 permits to connect with sewer, Dec. 1, 1883		$455 00
Deposited with City Treasurer		$455 00
Paid for labor on Cross street extension	$18 26	
Paid for labor on improvements and looking after connections	104 24	
Paid for lumber and team work	7 81	
		$130 31
Received of City Treasurer		$130 31

On assuming the office of Superintendent, I found it necessary to make some improvements on the flushing inlets on Beaver brook; also, to put extra covers inside of flush tanks to protect them against frost. The works are now in good working condition.

D. H. SAWYER, *Superintendent.*

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit the following report of the fire department for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883.

In the year just passed, we have had an unusual amount of fires, and of course have sustained greater losses than usual, but the companies have been very prompt in the discharge of their duties. The department is in fine working order, which is greatly due to the valuable aid of my assistants. The condition of the apparatus is good.

The Deluge Hose Company has made some more improvements in their already handsome hall; their hall is now one of the best, as it should be, for it is the head-quarters of one of the best hose companies in the state.

The Phœnix Company have refitted and refurnished their hall in a very neat manner; their quarters are now all right, and I think perfectly satisfactory to the company. This company has greatly improved, and is now one of the best.

The Hook & Ladder Company has greatly improved, and is a far better company than I should suppose we could have in the miserable quarters they occupy. We have this year added 2 twenty-foot ladders, 2 forty-foot

ladders and 1 sixty-five-foot Bangor extension ladder to their carriage; and I recommend that they be provided with better quarters as soon as possible.

It has been found expedient and necessary by the Board of Engineers to discharge from service the Neptune Hose Company, and there is now no such company in the department.

There has been a very valuable addition made to the department this year by the purchase of a very fine Amoskeag steamer, and 850 feet of steamer hose; the machine is a very fine one, and the city might well be proud of it. We have also formed a Steamer company that runs the steamer, and the hose cart formerly used by the Neptune company. The Steamer company consists of 20 volunteers who serve without pay. Great credit is due to Capt. E. S. Foster and Engineer Piper of the of the Steamer company for their energy and perseverance in forming so fine a company in so short a time. The steamer is now located at the old Neptune house, and I would recommend an early removal to more suitable quarters.

UNIFORMS.

The whole department is well uniformed.

THE FIRE ALARM

is the same as last year, and I will again recommend that some arrangement be made for a telephone alarm.

The following are the alarms for the past year:

March 30, 1.15 P. M., N. G. Woodbury, pail shop. Loss $2,500; insured $1,500.

April 11, 3 P. M., A. S. Whitcomb, dry house. Loss $200; not insured.

June 5, 6.30 A. M., Bancroft & Roby, ice house. Loss $100; not insured.

June 11, 4 P. M., Beaver Mills. Loss $4,000; insured $3,500.

June 23, 4 P. M., Butler's Court, chimney burnt.

July 21, 1.30 P. M., O'Conner house, Kelleher street. Loss small.

July 29, 4.15 P. M., George E. Holbrook & Co., oil house. Loss $175.

Aug. 19, 3.05 A. M., Cheshire House block. Loss $12,000; insured $8,900.

Aug. 28, 11.45 A. M., Cheshire R. R. Co., car shop. No loss.

Sept. 5, 11.15 A. M., Ashuelot Mills. No loss.

Sept. 16, 9 A. M., gas house. Loss $400; not insured.

Sept. 19, 1 A. M., I. Cheni's barn, Douglas street. Loss $400; insured.

Oct. 23, 3 P. M., Beaver Mills dry house. Loss $200; insured.

Dec. 22, 8 A. M., alarm, Butler's court. No loss.

Dec. 23, 5.40 A. M., Faulkner & Colony's boarding house, on Ashuelot street. Loss $2000; insured $2900.

NUMBER OF MEN.

The working force consists of two hose companies of 20 men each, one hook and ladder company of 20 men, one steamer company of 20 men, and seven engineers. I would recommend that the number be cut down to six.

DISCIPLINE.

It gives me pleasure to say that there has been a gen-

eral disposition shown to obey orders, and the rules and regulations of the department.

For detailed report of expenses, see finance committee's report.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE DEPARTMENT.

One steamer	$4,000
Deluge engine at Woodbury's	500
Deluge hose carriage	750
Phœnix "	400
Neptune "	700
Two jumpers	150
Niagara engine, South Keene	550
1 jumper at Beaver Mills	100
" Symond's	100
Hook and ladder carriage, etc.,	750
1 hose sleigh	30
Fire alarm	100
Hose	3,500
Engineers' lanterns	7
Six hydrant gates	45
1 Y coupling	65

In conclusion, allow me to thank the City Councils for the many favors received; and to my assistants and the several companies, I return my most sincere thanks for the courtesy received, and their obedience to orders and promptness to duty.

G. D. WHEELOCK, *Chief Engineer.*

Keene, Dec. 1, 1883.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Hon. Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the following report:

DR.

To bal. of appropriation unexpended Dec. 1, 1882	$78 48
To appropriation for 1883	500 00
To received of Librarian, for sale of catalogue	14 30
" " " fines	56 50
Total	$655 62

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By amount expended for books and magazines	$512 62
" " " for repairing and binding books	22 15
By cash paid City Treasurer, for catalogues, supplements and fines	77 15
" unexpended balance, Dec. 1, 1883	43 70
Total	$655 62
Number of new books purchased, the present year	358
Gifts	35

Books lost	0
Book discarded	40
Number of books in the Library, Dec. 1, 1883	5,232
" " issued during the year	21,831
Number of cards issued during the year	382
Number of books covered	4,812
The largest number of books taken in any month (March)	2,783
The largest number of books taken in any day (January 27)	234

The logbook of a well-trimmed ship, speeding over fair seas, wafted to port by prosperous gales, cannot present a varied or interesting report. Fair weather, and so many knots an hour, is the sum and substance of the journal from day to day. So our Public Library, running on smoothly all the year round, presents nothing new to the casual observer. But *nothing new* indicates no lack of progress in the extension of its influence and usefulness. And before closing our annual report, we wish to *urge* many of its patrons who *send* in their cards for books, to take a peep inside the walls in person. The first glance will show you the light, pleasant alcoves with their well-filled shelves, containing the latest publications, or the places where they belong (for you seldom find the best books there) as we have not a few choice readers in our city.

Next, our obliging and business-like librarian will explain to you the admirable working of the Card Catalogue, which has cost days and months of unwearied skilful labor. Here the anxious seeker after some missing link, with which to complete his essay or discussion, is directed straight to the hidden truth or historical fact, and much valuable time is saved. You then pass on to the Reference Department, pausing to look over the table

covered with the best magazines; and if it chance to be out of school hours, you will see the pupils seated around it, not to read the stories, but to glean choice bits of knowledge from the excellent papers on art, science, biography and travel, contributed by master minds in our own and foreign lands.

And now you come to the grandest portion of our Library, — the solid books of reference; and here you find the members of our higher grade of schools, with pencil and note-book in hand, busily gleaning facts and dates to aid them in acquiring the liberal education which is the birthright of every child in Keene.

That comparisons are odious, is a truth as old as our first copy books, but when we consider that one of our oldest, wealthiest and highest cultured cities in New England has no *free* public library, our citizens may well be proud of our young institution, and thank God and its founders for this priceless benefit to all.

One who has been abroad many years, said on returning here to his native city: "I find the beauty of Keene greatly enhanced by her fine public and private buildings, her broad streets, beautified and arched by the spreading branches of her noble elms, but the crowning gem to me is her free Public Library, with its almost faultless appointments."

W. P. CHAMBERLAIN,
ELIZA J. C. GILBERT,
D. W. GILBERT,
KATE L. TILDEN,
MARIA R. OSBORNE,
CHARLES H. HERSEY.

Keene, December 1, 1883.

REPORT OF CITY CLERK.

To the Honorable City Councils:

I beg leave to submit the following report of this office, for rents, etc., for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883:

Received	S. Wadsworth & Co., store rent	$400 00
"	" " heating	50 00
"	" " water rents	7 00
"	A. H. Grimes, store rent	400 00
"	" heating	50 00
"	" water rents	7 00
"	C. W. Wyman, store rent	350 00
"	" heating	25 00
"	" water rents	7 00
"	Knowlton & Stone, land rent	20 00
"	Daniel Hornberger, billiard table license	30 00
"	J. W. Mansfield, " "	30 00
"	J. Barre, " "	10 00
"	Sawyer & Hoit, " "	20 00
"	Electric Liver Pad Co., street "	10 00
"	Doct. Ackerman, " "	2 00
"	Jackson & Broderick, " "	3 00
"	Baker & King, " "	2 00
"	M. E. Dowe & Co., " "	10 00
"	A. Forepaugh, circus "	30 00
"	Hillsboro' county, rebate on M. & K. R. R. case	300 00

Received Keene Gas Light Co., laying pipe, Neptune house		$10 00
" Conscience fund, through post-office		25 00
		$1,798 00
Less fees on billiard table license		4 50
		$1,793 50
Deposited with Treasurer	$1,793 50	

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. DOOLITTLE, *City Clerk.*

REPORT OF CITY MESSENGER.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

I herewith submit my report as City Messenger for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883:

RECEIVED FOR RENT OF CITY HALL.

1882.		
Dec.	James Marsh	$5 00
	Keene Cadet orchestra	12 00
	Cazanove Gift Enterprise	16 00
	Charles Atkinson's Jollites Co.,	15 00
	Mr. Proctor for the Benefit Coffee House	8 00
	Rowell & Barker	25 00
	Neal Burgess Co.	15 00
1883.		
	Keene Fire Department	22 00
Jan.	Rowell & Barker	75 00
	Damage to scenery	2 00
Feb.	James Marsh	5 00
	Thatcher, Primrose & West	30 00
	Rowell & Barker	25 00
March	Samuel Pepin	36 00
	Rowell & Barker	30 00
	Mr. Bailey	20 00
	Little Corinne Co.	35 00

	Heyward's Panorama	$20 00
	Norfolk Jubilee Singers	16 00
	Union School district	20 00
	Catholic Society, festival and dance	29 00
April	Capt. James Russell for Keene Light Guards	16 00
	C. F. Rowell & Barker	50 00
	Mina Gordon Gould	6 00
	Union School district	10 00
	E. P. Hardy's minstrels	25 00
May	Unitarian Society festival	20 00
	Union School district	10 00
	Band benefit	40 00
	Ladies League	5 00
	Rowell & Barker	50 00
	Boston Concert Co.	16 00
	John Sedgwick Post, No. 4	5 00
June	Ellis Family	15 00
	Keene High School	10 00
August	Rowell & Barker	25 00
Sept.	B. H. Graves' Uncle Tom's Cabin Co.	30 00
	Rowell & Barker	50 00
Oct.	Howorth's Hibernica	30 00
	John Sedgwick Post, No. 4	20 00
	Rowell & Barker	100 00
	Deluge Hose Co.	16 00
	Guy Family	30 00
Nov.	I. W. Baird's minstrels	30 00
	Managers of lecture course	14 00
	Catholic fair	100 00
	Settees sold	31 50
	Total	$1,215 50

Deposited with City Treasurer $1,215 50

Respectfully submitted,

E. O. KEITH, *City Messenger.*

CITY MARSHAL'S REPORT.

To His Honor the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor herewith, as required by the city ordinance, to submit my annual report of some of the doings of the police department for the municipal year ending Nov. 30, 1883.

Whole number of arrests	258

Of the above number, 70 were taken before the police court, of which an itemized account is given by the Police Justice.

The remaining 188 were discharged by promising to do better in the future.

Have found lodgings and food for 143 poor persons.

Have received for lodgings	$43 00
Deposited with City Treasurer the same	$43 00

Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL O. GATES, *City Marshal.*

Keene, Dec. 1, 1883.

REPORT OF CITY SOLICITOR.

To the City Councils:

I respectfully submit the following report:

Elizabeth E. Jennison vs. Keene. This action has been settled by the payment of $15, in accordance with the proposition referred to in my last report.

The Manchester and Keene Railroad Company vs. Keene. The execution in this case has been satisfied. The city has received from the county of Hillsborough $300 towards the referees' fees.

The cases against Messrs. Dawe & Bonallie, in which the city is summoned as trustee on account of the gratuity, are still pending.

Joseph G. Warren vs. Keene. This action is still pending. The engagements of the referee, Hon. George A. Bingham, have prevented a trial.

Parker C. Butler et al. vs. Keene. This action has been tried before the County Commissioners, to determine the damages to which the plaintiffs were entitled by reason of the laying out of Pitcher street through their land. The sum awarded was $45.00, which has been paid, together with the costs.

Lawrence Collins vs. Keene. This action has been settled by payment of the whole amount claimed, $15.00, together with the costs.

State vs. Keene. Indictment for alleged defects in the old Sullivan road. Settled by repairing the road and paying the costs of prosecution.

The above cases were referred to in the last report. Since Dec. 1, 1882, the following actions have been commenced against the city:

Frank K. Jewett, Adm'r. vs. Keene. This action was entered at the April term of court. It was brought to recover damages occasioned by the death of C. C. Atwood of Nelson, in November, 1882, while driving upon the Sullivan road. The plaintiff claimed that the highway was defective at the point where the accident occurred by reason of a telephone pole standing within its limits, and that Mr. Atwood's wagon came in contact with the pole, whereby he was thrown out and killed. By a recent decision of the court in a similar case it became evident that any verdict the plaintiff might recover would be for nominal damages only. The case has thereupon been settled without expense to the city other than the payment of its own costs and counsel fees. Messrs. Batchelder & Faulkner were of counsel for the city.

Francis Gallagher vs. Keene. This is a petition for the assessment of damages occasioned the plaintiff by the location of the sewer through his land. It stands continued to the adjourned term of court in January.

This petition and the suit of Mr. Warren are the only cases now pending against the city.

By order of the City Marshal, I have prosecuted seventy persons before the police court for police offences committed during the year.

JOHN T. ABBOTT, *Solicitor.*

Keene, Dec. 1, 1883.

REPORT OF POLICE JUSTICE.

To the Hon. Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The Justice of the Police Court submits the following report, for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883:

Number of civil actions entered, 40; number of arraignments, 118; for causes as follows:

Burglary	1
Keeping disorderly house	1
Bigamy	1
Malicious mischief	1
Being common drunkard	1
Allowing minor in billiard room	1
Adultery	2
Being stubborn, etc.,	2
Circulating indecent print	3
Entering garden with unlawful intent	3
Violating liquor law	21
Larceny	5
Assault	10
Making brawls and tumults	11
Drunkenness	55

These cases were disposed of as follows:

Persons sentenced to pay fines conditionally	19
" " " unconditionally	35
" " to House of Correction	10
Held to answer at Supreme Court	30

Discharged on complaint against seller of the liquor	9
Sent to Industrial School	2
Discharged on trial	1
Cases appealed	1
Not prosecuted to judgment	12

Of those ordered to pay fines, one appealed to the Supreme Court, thirty-six paid their fines, fourteen were committed to the House of Correction on alternative sentences, and three to jail for non-payment.

Amount of fines imposed	$283 00
" " received by Justice	139 00
" " " by Special Justice	16 00

Of the civil cases, fourteen were entered before the Special Justice, and of the criminal cases, eighteen were commenced before and fifteen disposed of by him.

E. FARRAR, *Justice.*

Keene, Dec. 1, 1883.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

The Overseers of the Poor herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 1, 1883:

The number of persons receiving aid has increased somewhat over last year, and the amount expended in proportion, being an increase for the City poor, while the amount for County paupers is less than last year.

By the enactment of the law at the last session of our State Legislature changing the time of gaining settlements from 1860 to 1870, many of our City poor will become a County charge.

For the account in detail of charities dispensed by us, we refer you to the report of the committee on finance.

Respectfully submitted,

E. O. KEITH,
H. PURCELL,
G. H. TILDEN,
Overseers of the Poor.

CITY PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

I have the honor to herewith present my report, as physician, for the past year.

Whole number of visits made,	104
Prescriptions at office,	22
Midwifery,	2
Surgical,	2

There has been no death during the year from acute disease, and only four in all, as follows:

NAME.	DATE.	AGE.	CAUSE.
Harriet J. Allen,	January	51	Consumption.
John McLear,	March	82	Old Age.
Elizabeth Chambers,	August	84	Old Age.
Ella R. Waldo,	October	34	Cancer.

Much credit is due to the Overseers of the Poor for their watchful and humane care shown to that unfortunate class of our people, and to this fact we may attribute in a large degree the general good health of the pauper class. Those assisted have appreciated what was done for them, and, as a general rule, have asked only for what necessity compelled.

Quite a number have been assisted more or less by in-

dividual generosity, but more good might be accomplished in this direction could the charities be so organized that there would be some system in the giving.

Will not an almshouse be one of the great needs of our city in the near future?

Respectfully,

S. M. DINSMOOR, *City Physician.*

HEALTH COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Keene:

GENTLEMEN :—During the past year we have received but few complaints alleging the existence of unsanitary, dangerous, or offensive conditions of premises. One or two minor cases were reported early in the year, but the causes of complaint were promptly alleviated or removed in accordance with our suggestions. We have noticed a feeling, which has seemed to be quite general, this year, that the new sewers, if successful in their operation, were destined to cause a radical change in the methods adopted for the disposal of a larger part of the sewage of our city. While the system was as yet untried or incomplete, people were disposed to tolerate, for a time, conditions which might otherwise have caused complaint to this board, in the hope that a remedy more thorough and effectual than could otherwise be hoped for might be found through this new medium.

Many of the compact portions of our city have certainly suffered much for several years for want of suitable sewers to convey away domestic filth and refuse of the most dangerous and annoying kinds. In June, 1882, the Health Commissioners presented a memorial to the city government upon this subject, in which the immediate necessity of a more complete sewerage system in certain

parts of the city was alleged. As a result, the Waring system was adopted, and these sewers are now laid and ready for use throughout the compact portions of the town. If the experience of the few weeks which have elapsed since their completion can be taken as a criterion, they are destined to be much more extensively and generally used than their most ardent friends had ever dared to predict. Up to the time of the writing of this report, over ninety permits for connections had been issued by the Superintendent; owners of buildings and houses of all classes being found among the applicants. Finding people thus ready and anxious to avail themselves of the opportunity offered to improve the sanitary condition of the city, we have felt that our services were entirely uncalled for except in cases where especial complaints were entered.

Early in July the attention of the Health Commissioners was called to the condition of the brook running from a point near Symonds' tannery to the river, and crossing Pearl street near the residence of Mr. Gorman. Into this stream the liquid refuse from the vats, etc., at the tannery has always been discharged. Frequent complaints and some litigation have already resulted therefrom, and in the opinion of the Mayor and others acquainted with the facts, further litigation was then and is now imminent unless the city takes measures to abate the nuisance which doubtless exists.

The brook was examined by the Health Commissioners and the City Physician. There seems to be no doubt that the stream is in a condition which endangers the public health, especially during low water. The bed and banks of the stream are coated and saturated with animal and vegetable matter, absorbed from or deposited by the tannery waste; and when the weather is hot and the water is low, these substances putrefy, with the result which

might be anticipated. One or more attempts to mitigate the evil by cleaning out the brook have been made heretofore, we believe; but even at the best but a temporary relief can in this way be afforded. It is suggested that the brook might be covered for a short distance near the houses on Pearl street, and the objectionable odors thus confined. We do not think this remedy would be effectual or practicable. The cause of complaint and the dangerous exhalations from the decomposing filth would still remain or escape freely into the atmosphere.

Upon further examination and after ascertaining the nature and quantity of waste discharged from the tannery, your commissioners came to the conclusion that a radical change either in the manner of conveying away or of disposing of the liquid refuse could alone remedy the evil which now exists. The discharge of this refuse into the brook can doubtless be prevented by legal means; but by so doing the City might seriously discommode or cripple an important manufacturing industry, and this, it seems to us, would be neither wise nor profitable to do. It would be wiser for the community, perhaps, to provide in whole or in part, a remedy which, while not interfering with the tannery, would do away with the nuisance complained of.

The only practical way to do this would seem to be to lay a sewer pipe from the tannery to some point in the rever where this waste can be safely discharged. In order that the feasibility of this plan might be fully determined upon, we employed Mr. John J. Holbrook to make a survey, taking levels and giving distances along three routes, which seemed practicable. We have caused a plan and profile of these three proposed routes to be filed in the City Clerk's Office for future reference.

From the levelings and measurements taken, we find that a sewer can be laid from the tannery to the river, upon a good grade, without difficulty. A six-inch vitrified

pipe would be of ample size; and this should be laid at a cost of from seventy to ninety cents per foot. The first route proposed is to proceed in as direct a line as possible from the tannery along the north side of the Cheshire Railroad embankment, crossing Pearl street and entering the river near the covered railroad bridge. The distance by this route is about 2970 feet; the fall something over ten feet. The second route proposed is to follow in or near the channel of the present brook from the tannery to the river. The distance by this route is 3525 feet; the fall about the same as by the first route. The third route proposed is to follow route number two as far as Pearl street, and to proceed thence via Pearl street to Winchester street, striking the river below the Winchester street bridge. The distance by this route would be some 5300 feet; and the fall about two feet more than by the other routes. The sewage would enter the river below the stream which comes from Faulkner & Colony's mill, ensuring a good current in the river at this point at almost all seasons.

After considering the matter carefully, your commissioners are of the opinion that the best, if not the only practicable and effectual way to dispose of this tannery waste, is to convey it to the river through a vitrified sewer pipe. A six-inch pipe will be large enough to carry all the tannery waste and much other sewage if desired. Such a pipe can be thoroughly flushed by water from the present brook if needed. We think the best route to be the one first named, viz: from the tannery to the river near the covered railroad bridge. The cost would probably not exceed $2400, and we think it would be less. We have consulted Mr. Symonds, once or twice, and endeavored to ascertain what portion, if any, of this he would be willing to bear, but he was not disposed to make any proposition. We think the plans and surveys

which we have caused to be made will be of material aid in solving the problem of the disposal of this sewage, in the future.

The only other complaint upon which the board has felt called upon to take formal action was one entered in regard to the drainage from the Eagle Hotel property, owned by the Boston & Lowell railroad corporation. The sanitary conditions here have been bad for years, and upon examination of the premises your commissioners deemed it expedient that the sinks, water closets, etc., in this building be connected with the public sewer. An order to this effect was therefore issued to the owners of the property October 10, and said order was complied with within the thirty days allowed in said notice.

Your commissioners also requested Mr. F. C. Foster to conduct all the liquid wastes from his tannery into the main sewer on Beaver street, instead of allowing such wastes to be discharged into Beaver brook as has heretofore been done. Our request was willingly complied with. The sewage from a number of houses near this brook has also been discharged into the sewers instead of into the brook, and but little further exertion is needed to free this stream entirely from sewage above the town brook or sewer which enters it near Beaver mills. Should the operation of our sewerage system be successful (and no indications to the contrary have as yet developed) the future disposal of domestic and other filth in our city will be greatly simplified.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HUMPHREY,
W. H. PRENTISS,
Health Commissioners of the City of Keene.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

To the Honorable Board of Mayor and Aldermen:

The following is an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Superintendent of Cemeteries for the year ending Dec. 1, 1883:

RECEIPTS.

Received for lots sold	$148 60
Drew from bank	195 00
	$343 60
Amount in bank Dec. 15, 1882	$537 15
Interest to Oct. 1, 1883	17 35
	$554 50
Amount remaining in bank Dec. 12, 1883	$359 50

ACCOUNT OF SUMNER CARPENTER FUND.

Amount in bank Oct. 1, 1882	$43 80
Interest to Oct. 1, 1883	1 74
	$45 54

EXPENDITURES.

James Donahue, for work	$119 26
Alfred Richardson "	78 29
Henry Wyman "	5 00
M. J. Sherman, breaking road	1 00
———Nims, "	50
Alva Metcalf, work, painting fence	64 80
Spencer & Co., paint and oil	57 85
" one hoe	45
E. W. Perkins, work, old cemetery	5 00
H. S. Black, work, cemetery district No. 8	6 00
J. T. Armstrong, repairing water pipe	58
Cash in hand	4 87
	$343 60

HENRY PURCELL, *Superintendent.*

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

REPORT FOR 1882.

Amount given to Collector on book		$67,430 85
Additions		524 76
Interest collected		84 92
		$68,040 53
Amount deposited with Treasurer Dec. 18, 1882	$56,200 00	
Abatements to date, Dec. 15, 1882	376 26	
" on 1879 taxes	14 28	
" 1881 "	127 44	
" 1882 " Nov. 19, 1883	624 37	
Deposited with Treasurer, since Dec. 18, 1882	10,198 18	
		67,540 53
Balance uncollected		$500 00

SAMUEL O. GATES, *Collector.*

Keene, Dec. 14, 1883.

REPORT FOR 1883.

Amount given to Collector on books		$73,909 11
" collected to Dec. 11, 1883	$52,600 00	
" collected to Dec. 15	5,100 00	
Abated to date	283 53	
		57,983 53
Balance uncollected		$15,925 58

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL O. GATES, *Collector.*

Keene, Dec. 14, 1883.

ORDINANCES AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Passed by the City Councils in 1882.

CITY OF KEENE:

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Two.

A JOINT RESOLUTION in favor of the Pargetized Can Co.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

Whereas, the Pargetized Can Company has represented to the City Councils that it proposes to erect during the coming year a factory for the purpose of manufacturing pargetized articles of all kinds, made of wood, and has petitioned that the factory, buildings, machinery and power used therewith and the capital used in carrying on said manufacturing business be exempt from taxation for a term of ten years.

Now be it resolved, that any buildings and the machinery and power used therewith which may be erected in Keene by said Pargetized Can Company for the purpose aforesaid and all capital used in carrying on said business, shall be and the same hereby are exempt from taxation for the term of ten years from the first day of April next, to said Company, its successors and assigns, provided the sum so invested shall not be less than fifteen thousand dollars.

Passed December 21, 1882.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Street Lights.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Committee on Lamps and Lamp Posts be instructed to procure posts and lanterns to be erected, one on Dunbar street and one at the corner of Prospect and Court streets; and also four additional lanterns to supply the places of those worn out and for spare: and that the gasoline light now on Mechanic street be changed to gas.

Passed Dec. 21, 1882.

ORDINANCES AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Passed by the City Councils in 1883.

CITY OF KEENE:

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-Three.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Sewerage Construction.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the proposition of the Drainage Construction Company, made by J. W. Sewall, Engineer in charge of the sewerge construction in Keene, to suspend operation till the frost shall be out of the ground, next Spring, or to May 1 next, on certain conditions and reservations as expressed therein, be and the same is hereby accepted and binding on the City.

Passed and approved January 4, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Assistant Librarian.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

The Trustees of the Public Library are hereby authorized to employ an Assistant Librarian, for Saturday evenings, and at such other times as they may deem expedient, not

to exceed five hours per week, and at a salary of not more than twenty cents per hour, the same to be paid from any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 4, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the use of City Money.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the proposition of the Cashier of the Keene National Bank to pay three per cent. on all daily balances over Five Thousand Dollars of city money on deposit be accepted.

Passed January 9, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION appropriating Money for the Year ensuing.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the following sums of money be raised by taxation and appropriated for the following purposes, to wit:

For ordinary City Charges	$6,000 00
Paupers	3,000 00
Highways and Bridges	6,000 00
Sewers (old)	500 00
Fire department	1,500 00
Lighting streets	1,500 00
Public Library, for books	500 00

For support Public Library, salary, &c.,	$500 00
Police	1,200 00
Memorial Services	150 00
Interest on Water Loan	1,200 00
Interest on Sewer Loan	2,800 00
Interest on M. & K. R. R. Loan	6,400 00
	$31,250 00

Passed January 18, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION extending the duties of Joint Standing Committee on Streets, Sewers and Drains.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Streets, Sewers and Drains have the general supervision of the work on the new sewers now in course of construction, so far as to have the power of employing and discharging a Superintendent of the works; of examining and approving all bills on account of the works; of recommending curtailments and extensions, or any modifications or variations of the plans, subject to the approval of the City Councils; and of advising the Councils in regard to any matters in connection with the work that they may deem for the interest and welfare of the city.

Passed January 18, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Repairs to Engine House and Purchase of Sled for Hose.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Committee on Fire Department be authorized to build a partition in the house of the Phœnix hose company at a cost not exceeding sixteen dollars, also to purchase runners or a sled to be used as a hose carriage, the cost of the same not to exceed twenty-five dollars, to be paid for from any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 18, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the New Sewer.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows :

That the Committee on Streets, Sewers and Drains, be and hereby are authorized and instructed to confer with Mr. Muzzey, Superintendent of the new sewer, and cause a report to be made to the City Councils of the condition of the new sewer, with proper maps, charts and memoranda, to locate the sewer pipes, distance of each sized tube, connections, manholes, flush tanks, Y branches, and all such matters as may be necessary for future reference ; and to bring the Superintendent's services to a close for the present as speedily as the public good will permit.

Passed January 18, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Public Printing.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows :

SECTION 1. The Joint Standing Committee on Printing shall have charge of printing all blanks, reports, and other matter to be used in every department of the city govern-

ment; and no bills for printing or publishing shall be paid or allowed unless ordered by them and subsequently approved by them, or unless ordered by the board of Mayor and Aldermen or the City Councils.

SEC. 2. All city by-laws and ordinances shall be duly published in one issue of the Cheshire Republican, New Hampshire Sentinel, and New England Observer, and the Clerk shall furnish copies therefor. In the annual city reports shall be published all by-laws and ordinances and such joint resolutions as in the opinion of the committee the public good require; and the annual school report shall be published under their direction.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of said committee to contract for said printing and publishing at the lowest business prices.

SEC. 4. Section two of chapter four of the city ordinances, and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This ordinance shall take effect on its passage.

Passed Feb. 15, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE relating to Pay of Firemen, etc.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

SECTION 1. Each member of every company in the fire department shall receive for his services at the rate of twelve dollars per year in addition to the sum allowed by law; but no member shall be paid for less than three months' service, unless sooner discharged from his company by the proper authority for cause other than his own request, nor unless he shall have performed his duties in a manner satisfactory to the company officer, and responded to all calls made upon him, or given satisfactory excuse for any failure to do so.

SEC. 2. The foreman of each company in the fire department shall report to the City Clerk at the expiration of each quarter the names of all men who have been active members of his company during the quarter, or any part thereof, giving date of all discharges, and of all elections of new members; and in his report he shall compute the pay of each member according to the preceding section; and he shall make oath to the correctness of his report thereon.

SEC. 3. The City Clerk shall furnish to each foreman proper blanks for his reports and pay rolls.

SEC. 4. An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance relating to Firemen," as passed May 20, 1880, and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This ordinance shall take effect on its passage.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to City Hall.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the City Messenger be and hereby is, authorized and instructed to have the box office connected with the city hall reconstructed and re-arranged in accordance with certain plans herewith submitted to the City Councils, the expense of said change not to exceed the sum of fifty dollars, to be defrayed from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 1, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION for Purchase of Supplies for Fire Department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Chief Engineer of the fire department be authorized to purchase for the use of the fire department one extension ladder and ten rubber coats.

Also twenty chairs for Phœnix Hose Company at a cost not exceeding one dollar each.

Passed July 5, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of fifteen dollars be paid each member of the Board of Education in Union School District and fifty dollars to the Superintendent of Schools, for services during the year ending March, 1883. The same to be paid from the appropriation for ordinary city charges.

Passed April 7, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the Payment of Money to Purchase Uniforms, etc., in the Fire Department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

1. That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be allowed to the Washington Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, out of the appropriation for the fire department,

for the purpose of repairing or renewing the uniforms of the company, agreeably to the petition of the foreman and other members, on file, provided the company furnish any deficiency in the amount required; said sum to be drawn and paid to any responsible member of the company authorized to receive it, by the Mayor, when satisfied that the repairs are or will be made.

2. That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be allowed to the Phœnix Hose Company, No. 4, out of the appropriation for the fire department, for the purpose of purchasing new uniforms for the *use* of said company, agreeably to the petition of M. L. Landers and others, on file, the same to be the property of the city; provided that the company provide the balance required to complete the payment; said sum to be drawn and paid to any responsible member authorized to receive it by the Mayor, when satisfied that said uniforms are or will be furnished, as aforesaid.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Curtailment of Sewerage.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Streets, Sewers and Drains are hereby instructed to consult with the Drainage Construction Company in regard to the curtailment of sewerage recommended in the report of said committee, made in joint convention April 19, 1883, and to consider any further changes in the plan of said sewerage which may seem necessary and expedient to said committee, and report to the City Councils soon as practicable.

Passed April 21, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION directing certain deductions from the Sewerage Plan and Contract.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Streets, Sewers and Drains be authorized and instructed to arrange with the Drainage Construction Company for the deduction of so much of the new sewer construction as was embraced in their report to a joint convention of the City Councils, to wit: So much of the Mill Creek system as lies on the north end of Colorado street, all on Castle, River and Ashuelot streets, and Ashuelot court; also, the line throught Elliot and Blake's land, from Davis to Winchester street; all on Baker, Grove and Myrtle streets, and that part of Lincoln street lying north of Roxbury street, and that part of Grant and Douglass streets lying north of Beaver street, and all on Probate street.

And further, that the said committee be authorized to confirm in behalf of the City all the deductions represented on a plan recently furnished by Superintendent Muzzey, and said to have been arranged by a former committee and the contractors, or so much of said deductions as they may consider consistent with those first named. Said deductions to be made on the terms specified in additional memoranda to contract, dated September 15, 1882.

Passed May 3, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Telephone Instrument.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Telephone Company be instructed to place one of their instruments in the City Clerk's office, and that His Honor the Mayor be authorized to sign a proper contract with the said company for the use of the said instrument. The rentals of the same to be paid from the appropriation for ordinary city charges.

Passed May 3, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Appropriating Money for Extension of Water Works.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the purpose of extending the water works on Washington and George streets, in accordance with the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Water Works, on petition of O. C. Mansfield and others.

Passed May 17, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to School Money.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the money by law assessed in the City of Keene for the support of schools the present year, and the portion of the Literary Fund assigned to the city, and all money arising from taxation of dogs remaining in the treasury of the city at the first day of April, A. D. 1883, be apportioned among the school districts as follows, viz: Seventy-five dollars to be assigned to the several districts for each school therein, and the remainder to be apportioned according to the number of scholars in each district respectively.

Passed June 9, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Extension of Water Works.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the extension of the four-inch pipe and placing of hydrant on Vernon street, and the two-inch pipe on Centre street, in both cases as recommended by Joint Standing Committee on Water Works; said sum to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 5, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing Purchase of Supplies for the Fire Department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be authorized to purchase eight rubber coats and two torches for use of firemen, at a cost not exceeding fifty dollars.

Passed March 15, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Purchase of a Steam Fire Engine.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase a steam fire engine as soon as practicable, and that the same be paid for from any funds not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 21, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the House Drainage and the Connections with the Public Sewers.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

SECTION 1. The general care and management of the new sewers now in process of construction by the Drainage Construction Company, in Keene, shall be vested in Board of Water Commissioners after the same shall have been completed and turned over to the city, agreeably to the contract between said company and the city, and their power shall be subject to any limitations and restrictions contained now or hereafter in any ordinance, regulation or order of the City Councils; and the members of said board shall receive such compensation for their services as may be determined by the councils, but they shall incur no debt against the city, except for necessary repairs and care, unless ordered by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

SEC. 2. The person serving as Superintendent of Water Works shall also be Superintendent of Sewers, and he shall receive such additional compensation for his services as the councils may from time to time determine. Said Superintendent of Sewers shall have supervision of the construction and repair of all house-drainage, and after the completion of the original contract shall superintend all repairs of said sewers and their connections; and he shall keep a description, with plans, of the sewer and connections and an account of all expenses in his department, all under the directions of the Water Commissioners.

SEC. 3. Before any house-drain shall have been connected with said sewers, the owner thereof, or applicant, shall pay to the Superintendent of Sewers the following fees, viz.: For every house-drain, five dollars for the connection, and all persons who have made such connections, or shall have made them before the completion of

said sewers, shall pay said fees; and their connections, drains, etc., shall be subject to this ordinance in all respects, and the Superintendent of Sewers shall see that all such connections, drains, etc., conform to the requirements of this ordinance. All monies collected by the Superintendent of Sewers shall be paid to the City Treasurer twice a month, and the treasurer shall keep the same as a separate fund.

SEC. 4. No plumbing, house-drainage or connections shall be done or made in connection with the sewer by any person not licensed to do such work by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, under a penalty of twenty dollars.

SEC. 5. The following regulations shall govern the planning of all house-drainage and house connections with sewers:

1. For each building there shall be a separate connection with the public sewer of four-inch salt-glazed vitrified pipe, which may extend from the sewer to within five feet of the house, and from thence the house-drain shall be of cast-iron pipe, satisfactory to the Superintendent of Sewers, and shall extend upwards so that its upper terminus shall communicate directly with the open air in a manner which shall secure perfect ventilation. That portion of the soil or ventilating pipe above all fixtures may be of material and dimensions satisfactory to the Superintendent of Sewers.

2. No trap or any manner of obstruction to the free flow of air through the whole course of the drain and soil-pipe will be allowed.

3. Every fixture shall be effectually trapped. No sink-drain pipe shall be more than one and one-fourth inches in diameter.

4. No privy-vault or cesspool shall be connected with the house-drain or sewer. When water-closets take their place, they shall be thoroughly cleaned out and filled with fresh, dry earth.

5. No subsoil drain shall be connected with the house-drain at any point, the house-drain being made and kept absolutely tight for the removal of foul water without the least opportunity for escape into the soil; and drain-pipe, waste-pipe or rainwater conductors shall under no circumstances be connected with the house-drain.

6. Every water-closet shall be adequately flushed with water from a cistern above it; except that, where a cistern is liable to freeze, other methods may be permitted, provided that thorough flushing is secured. No closet shall be used which has a space between two water seals of more than two hundred inches capacity, or which has such space of any capacity, every part of the walls of which is not thoroughly flushed and washed at each use of the closet. Every water-closet apartment shall have a direct means of ventilation into the open air.

7. All soil and waste pipes shall be as direct as possible, and all parts of the work shall be so arranged that they may be at all times readily examined and repaired. Before the fixtures are placed in connection with the plumbing work of any house, and before the soil-pipe is connected with the drain, the outlet of the soil-pipe and all openings into it shall be hermetically sealed; the pipe shall then be filled with water to its top and every joint shall be carefully examined for leakage, and all leaks shall be securely closed before connections with the soil-pipe are made.

Sec. 6. All drain-laying, repairs and connections shall be made according to the following rules, and if any drain be constructed or repaired, or any excavations made for that purpose without a permit in writing from the Superintendent of Sewers, or in a mode different from that prescribed herein, the person doing such work and the owner or agent directing the same shall respectively be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, and the

person doing such work shall also forfeit his license for a period of six months.

RULES FOR DRAIN-LAYING.

1. Before any connection with the public sewer is made, or any house drainage put in, or any repairs on them, a permit must first be obtained and the plan proposed approved by the Superintendent of Sewers.

2. No pipes or other materials for drains can be used till they have been examined and approved by the Superintendent of Sewers. All the work must be inspected by him and done to his satisfaction.

3. In opening any street or public way, all materials must be placed where they will cause the least practicable inconvenience to the public, and the whole enclosed with sufficient barriers and properly lighted at night from the beginning to the end of the work.

4. No street shall be opened until the Y branch of the sewer and the entire course of the drain to be laid shall have been precisely staked by the Superintendent of Sewers.

5. The least inclination that can be allowed for house drains is 1 in 60, without the written permission of the Superintendent of Sewers.

6. In the "house connection" every joint shall be laid with gasket and cement, and bedded in hydraulic concrete at least four inches in depth. The house-drain and soil-pipe must be caulked with lead so as to be both water and air-tight. All joints must be satisfactory to Superintendent of Sewers.

7. The ends of all pipes not to be immediately connected are to be securely closed water-tight, with imperishable materials. The inside of every drain, after it is laid, must be left smooth and clean throughout its entire length, and true in line and grade.

8. The back-filling over drains, after they are laid, must be puddled or rammed, all water and gas pipes protected from injury or settling, and the surface of the street made good within forty-eight hours after the completion of that part of the drain lying within the public way.

SEC. 9. This ordinance is to take effect from its passage, with this reservation, to wit: That nothing in it shall be construed in a sense that will relieve the Joint Standing Committee on Sewers and Drains from the performance of certain specific duties in relation to the sewers during their construction, as provided in a joint resolution passed January 18, 1883, nor to authorize any connection with the main sewer until the same is delivered to the city by the Drainage Construction Company as per terms of their contract.

Passed July 21, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION for Purchase of Fire Hose.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase for the use of the Fire Department, one thousand feet of fire hose.

Passed September 4, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the Fire Department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That it is the opinion of the Councils that the introduction of the steam fire engine makes the re-organization of the Fire Department of the city to a certain extent necessary; that there appears to be more hose men than will be able to work to advantage at a fire, for the reason that there will not, in most instances, be room for them on the hydrants, or sufficient water to supply them all and the steamer at the same time.

We therefore recommend to the Board of Fire Engineers to examine into the practicability of reducing the force, either by dismissing one of the old hose companies, or dispensing with the hose men now on the steamer, and allowing the steamer hose to be handled by one of the old companies; or perhaps they will see that both of these reductions could be made, and still that the hose service would be ample for any crisis. The Councils would recommend that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department cause action to be taken upon this subject in as brief time as possible.

Passed September 20, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Appropriating Money for the Extension of Water Mains.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the sum of eleven hundred and thirty-seven dollars be appropriated for the payment of the extension of the water pipes on Grove, Myrtle, and Foster streets; also the extension of water pipes on Woodburn street. The above appropriation to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed September 20, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relative to supplying Gas to certain Engine Houses.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Lamps and and Lamp Posts be and hereby are authorized to lay gas pipes from the main on West street to the Engine Houses on Railroad square, in accordance with the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Lamps and Lamp Posts; and that the expense of the same be paid from the appropriation for ordinary city charges.

Passed October 4, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Engine House.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Lands and Buildings be authorized to repair the Neptune Engine House, and under the advice of the Board of Fire Engineers as to plans and specifications, fit up the same for temporary use of the steamer, for a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

Passed October 8, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Purchase of Horses for use of Fire Department.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase for service on steamer and highways a span of horses, a pair of harnesses, and

all other necessary outfit for working the horses on the steamer, and the same be paid for from any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 15, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION to publish the Annual City Reports.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Joint Standing Committee on Printing cause to be printed in pamphlet form, for general distribution, twelve hundred copies of the reports of the City Government, for the year ending December 1, 1883, including all the usual committees and officers of the various departments; also, the proceedings of the inauguration of the City Government, the names of the respective officers, and such ordinances and resolutions and other matters as are deemed of public importance by them; that the same be published at the lowest reasonable rate and delivered in the City Clerk's office as soon as practicable; provided, however, that if the whole shall not be thus delivered, a corresponding deduction shall be made from the contract price.

Passed December 6, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE providing for the Election of Assessors of Taxes and an Overseer of the Poor.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

SECTION 1. On the first Tuesday of January next, or at any regular meeting in January, there shall be elected by the City Councils in joint convention, by ballot and

major vote, three Assessors of Taxes, who shall have all the power and authority of such officers prescribed by the General Laws, and who shall hold their offices, respectively, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, from the first Tuesday of January, 1884, and till others are elected and qualified in their places, the term of each to be determined at the time of election; and on the first Tuesday of January thereafter, each year, or at any regular meeting in January following the first Tuesday, one Assessor shall be elected in like manner to succeed the one whose term shall have expired, who shall hold his office three years from said first Tuesday of January, and until a successor shall have been elected and qualified.

Sec. 2. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said Board, by death, resignation, removal, or from other cause, the City Councils shall elect, in like manner, another to serve out the unexpired term. The removal of an Assessor from one ward to another shall not effect his right to hold said office.

Sec. 3. On the first Tuesday of January each year, or as soon after as practicable, the City Councils in joint convention, by ballot and major vote, shall elect one Overseer of the Poor, who shall hold his office one year from said first Tuesday, and till a successor shall have been elected and qualified. Any vacancy in said office shall be filled in like manner.

Sec. 4. The salary of the Overseer of the Poor shall be one hundred and twenty-five dollars for the full term for which he shall be elected, for the performance of the ordinary duties of his office; but any necessary extraordinary expense incurred in the discharge of his duties shall be paid in addition; and the annual salary of each Assessor shall be one hundred and forty dollars.

SEC. 5. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after the first Tuesday of January, 1884.

Passed Dec. 6, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to Pay of Superintendent of Sewers.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the Superintendent of Water Works be paid the sum of one hundred dollars for his services as Superintendent of Sewers to January 1, 1884.

Passed December 20, 1883.

A JOINT RESOLUTION adopting Chapter 92 of the Pamphlet Laws of 1883, approved Sept. 14, 1883.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of 1883, Chapter 92, of the Pamphlet Laws, approved September 14, 1883, relative to delivering Blank Inventories, be and the same are hereby adopted.

Passed December 20, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE in amendment of Chapter 8, of the General Ordinances, providing for the Appointment of Engineers.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

That said ordinance be and hereby is amended by striking out the word "six" before the words "Assistant Engineers" in the first section, and inserting after said words "Not exceeding five in number," so that the section shall read, "A Chief Engineer, and Assistant Engineers not exceeding five in number," etc.

Passed December 20, 1883.

AN ORDINANCE relating to Certain Abuses in Streets and Highways.

Be it ordained by the City Councils of the City of Keene, as follows:

SECTION 1. No person shall put or place, or cause to be put or placed, within the limits of any street, lane, alley or highway, or other public place in the city, any house dirt, ashes, garbage, shreds, shavings, filth, suds, offal, or other rubbish, except in such places and in such manner as the Superintendent of streets may provide and prescribe.

SEC. 2. Three or more persons shall not stand in a group or near each other on any foot or sidewalk, so as to obstruct a free passage for foot passengers; and any person or persons obstructing the foot or sidewalks shall move on immediately after a request is made by any police officer or watchman. No person or persons shall sit, stand, or lounge in or about the doors or passage-ways to any store, church or public building, office, saloon, shop, dwelling house or other tenement, except the owners or tenants thereof, after having been requested by the owner or occupant, or any police officer to depart therefrom.

SEC. 3. No person shall wantonly injure or deface any building, fence, wall, sign board, bill board, post, or lamp or lantern thereon, or shall wantonly cut or injure

any tree standing in any street, highway, or public place, or shall rob any garden or field of fruit or vegetables, or shall, without lawful permission, climb on or over any fence of any garden or yard.

SEC. 4. No person shall occupy any street, lane, or alley of the city for the purpose of selling goods or anything at auction or otherwise, without first obtaining permission from the Mayor, and paying therefor such a sum as may be required, for the use of the city.

SEC. 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of the foregoing sections shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than one dollar.

Passed December 20, 1883.